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JAPAN AND THE AMERICAN NAVY.

THE 70 PER CENT. CLAIM.

JAPANESE ADMIRAL EXPLAINS THE SITUATION.

The following statement regarding Japan's demand for 70 per cent. of the strength of the United States Navy in auxiliary craft was written for the United Press by Admiral Kanji Kato, Chief of the General Staff of the Imperial Japanese Navy, in response to a request for his views on the discussions now taking place in London. Admiral Kato is a Grand Chamberlain of the Empire and a member of the Privy Council. He was Chief Naval Advisor to the Japanese delegation at the Washington Naval Conference in 1921-22.

I believe that Japan is entirely justified in her demand at the Five Power Naval Conference in London for 70 per cent. of the strength of the United States Navy in auxiliary craft (cruisers). I believe the American people, once they understand our viewpoint in this matter, and the peoples of all the world, eventually will agree that our position is fair and just.

We want the American people to understand first and foremost that the 10-10-7 ratio of naval strength which we desire cannot possibly menace the safety of their country. We arrived at this figure as our minimum need for defence. All our calculations are based on purely defensive strategy. In other words we must have naval strength sufficient to repel the strongest fleet in the world if it should arrive with hostile intent on this side of the Pacific.

At the present time our strength in cruisers is a full 70 per cent. of the strength of the United States Navy in this class of vessels. Have Americans felt, and do they now feel, that this strength is a menace to their safety? The very fact we are content to accept a strength 30 per cent. inferior to the strength of the United States is in itself sufficient proof that Japan's naval plans are purely defensive. Aggression across the Pacific could be conceived only if backed by an overwhelming naval superiority on our part.

Defence, Not Aggression.

Our whole argument at London is based on the idea of defence, not aggression.

The special Ambassador of the United States to Japan, Mr. William Castle, Jr., in his recent speech in Tokyo before the America-Japan Society, stressed the fact that sacrifices on the part of all the nations participating in the Five Power Conference are necessary if the Conference is to succeed. The statement is quite true. I am afraid, however, there is some discrepancy between the American and the Japanese interpretation of these sacrifices. For example: Secretary of State Stimson, the head of the American delegation in London, has submitted a proposal which allow Japan about 60 per cent. of the actual cruiser strength of the United States. Japan demands 70 per cent. Under the principle of "mutual sacrifices" let us suppose Secretary Stimson concedes us an additional five per cent. Suppose he raises his figure by five to 65 and calls to us to meet him half way and come down to 63. This is what I understand America to mean by "mutual sacrifice." We take a strong exception to it, because this same five per cent. has a different meaning to Japan from its meaning to the United States.

If Japan's strength were increased by five, or 10, or even 20 per cent. what difference would it make to the safety of America? It is obvious Japan could not attack the United States even if our strength were 100 per cent. of that of the American Navy. More than mere equality is needed in attack. It is plain that by conceding us an additional five per cent. the United States would lose nothing except in mere figures. If she could be said to sacrifice anything whatever it would be merely five per cent. of her effectiveness in a possible attack on Japan. The question of America's own safety is not concerned.

Minimum Essential For Defence.

Critics of Japan's demands should place themselves in our position. As I have pointed out we have made our estimates on what we consider the minimum essentials of defence. We must foresee in theory the possibility of the arrival of America's fleet in our waters. We more foresee the effect of a decrease of five per cent. in our cruiser strength. That five per cent. loss would mean the crippling of our defensive ability. It would simply deduct five per cent. from our defensive ability. It would simply deduct five per cent. from our ability to defend ourselves. It would constitute a five per cent. increase to the danger of our safety.

Thus this five per cent. difference is one thing for America and another for Japan. Japan cannot agree to America's adding five per cent. to her 60 per cent. while deducting five per cent. from our 70 per cent. and calling it a "mutual sacrifice."

I am writing this as a sailor charged with the defence of my country by sea. I cannot believe that in the long run intelligent foreign opinion will refuse to be convinced of the essential justice of Japan's demands.

Diary of Coming Events.

To-day.
(March 18.)

H.K. Tramways, Ltd., Ordinary Yearly General Meeting, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's Board Room, noon.

Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.

Helena May Institute Lecture "Child Welfare in the Tropics," Mrs. Dovey.

Lawn Tennis:—Open Singles: H. D. Rumjahn *v.* Luk Ding Cheung; Open Doubles: E. C. and E. F. Fincher *v.* M. K. and M. W. Lo.

Queen's Theatre: "Dynamite."
Star Theatre: "Monte Carlo."
World Theatre: "The Winning Daughter" (Chinese picture) at 5.15 and 9.20, "Caught in the Fog."

Tea Dances: Hong Kong and Peninsula Hotels, 5 p.m.

Dinner Dances: Hong Kong, Peninsula, and Repulse Bay Hotels, 8.30 p.m.

European Mails:—Inward: Europe *vid* Siberia (Aenens). Outward: Europe *vid* Marseilles (Aeneas), 2.30 p.m.

Wednesday.
(March 19.)

Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.: 41st Ordinary Annual Meeting, St. George's Building, noon.

China Provident, Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd.: 33rd Ordinary Annual Meeting, Alexandra Building (2nd floor), 2.30 p.m.

Fanling Hunt and Race Club: Hounds Meet Race Course, 4 p.m.

Trevessa Trophy, 4 p.m.

Hockey: Club *v.* 3/15 Punjabis, U.S.R.C. ground, 5.15 p.m.

Lawn Tennis:—Open Singles: Ng Sze Kwong *v.* Ho Ka Lau.

Wah Yan College: Prize Giving, 5.15 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "The Trespasser."
World Theatre: "The Winning Daughter" (Chinese picture) at 5.15 and 9.20, "Caught in the Fog."
Star Theatre: "Monte Carlo."

Tea Dances: Hong Kong and Peninsula Hotels, 5 p.m.

Dinner Dances: Hong Kong and Peninsula Hotels, 8.30 p.m.

European Mails:—Outward: Europe *vid* Vancouver and *vid* Siberia (Empress of Canada), 10 a.m.

Thursday.
(March 20.)

Lammerts Auction: Refinery Stores, Taikoo Sugar Refinery, 11 a.m.

Meeting on behalf of Y.W.C.A., Government House, 4.15 p.m.

University Lecture on "Architecture," 5.15 p.m.

Central British School, Prize Giving, St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon, 5.30 p.m.

Helena May Musicale, Ballard Concert, 5.30 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "The Trespasser."
World Theatre: "Robinhood."
Star Theatre: "Four Walls."

Tea Dances: Hong Kong and Peninsula Hotels, 5 p.m.

Dinner Dances: Hong Kong, Peninsula, and Repulse Bay Hotels, 8.30 p.m.

European Mails:—Inward: Europe *vid* Negapatam, letters only (Yuen Sang). Outward: Europe *vid* Siberia (Nagpore), 10.30 a.m.

Friday.
(March 21.)

Christian Fellowship Meeting, Helena May Institute, 10.30 a.m.

Lammerts Auction: "Goods and Chattels" Metropole Hotel, 10.30 a.m.

St. Paul's Institution, French Convent School, Causeway Bay, Prize Giving, 11 a.m.

Hockey: Club *v.* University II., King's Park, 5 p.m.

St. George's Society: Annual General Meeting, H.K. Chamber of Commerce, 5.30 p.m.

Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hong Kong, Dinner, 8 p.m.

M.C.L., games and dancing, Peninsula Hotel, 3.30 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "The Trespasser."
World Theatre: "Robinhood."
Star Theatre: "Four Walls."

Tea Dances: Hong Kong and Peninsula Hotels, 5 p.m.

Dinner Dances: Hong Kong, Peninsula, and Repulse Bay Hotels, 8.30 p.m.

Saturday.
(March 22.)

2nd Extra Race Meeting, Happy Valley.

Annual 'Varsity Sports, Half Mile open 4.15 p.m. and Relay Race open 4.30 p.m.

League Cricket:—Division I.: H.K.C.C. *v.* C.S.C.C., Division II.: Police *v.* Indians.

Friendly Cricket:—Division I.: K.C.C. *v.* Navy, Division II.: R.E. and S. *v.* H.K. Electric, C.S.C.C. *v.* H.K.C.C., Recreio *v.* K.C.C.

Football.—Senior: *Sunday Herald* Cup Final; Junior: Eastern *v.* R.A., Ewo *v.* Club, Kowloon *v.* Navy, S. China "B" *v.* Somersets, Recreio *v.* University.

H.K. Realty and Trust Co., Ltd.: Ordinary Yearly Meeting, Exchange Building (2nd floor), 11.30 a.m.

Queen's Theatre: "The Trespasser."
World Theatre: "Robinhood."
Star Theatre: "Four Walls."

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Peninsula Hotel, 5 p.m.

Dinner Dances: H.K. Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

European Mails:—Outward: Europe *vid* Marseilles (Kamo Maru), 2.30 a.m.; Europe *vid* Siberia (Chenan), 6 p.m.

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Mr. Laurie Magnus has written a book—"The Jews in the Christian Era"—which may be truly described as a monument of learning and of piety (in the Roman sense). His primary object, it would seem, is to assess the value of the contribution made by the Jews to thought and speculation. "Civilisation" is Mr. Magnus's own word; but the scope of the book is not quite so wide as that word would imply. Material civilisation has little place in these pages. They are concerned mainly with the spiritual and intellectual. Regarded from that point of view, the book is a very good one, and will amply repay the close reading it undoubtedly demands.

Mr. Magnus seeks to lighten a serious though not a dull subject by occasional historical parallels and a certain modernity. For instance, he contrasts the way in which, in the first "centuries before and after Jesus," the Jews rushed "blindly on self-destruction," and the recovery of France after her defeat at the hands of Germany in 1870. "Judæa," he writes, "as impatient of defeat and as tenacious in hate as France, conciliated no foes and made no recovery. The Jews alienated Rome, who might have spared them. They rejected Jesus, who might have saved them, and, within their own divided ranks, they confounded politics with religion and did not always know their friends from their foes."

Statehood and Nationhood.

The text of Mr. Magnus's work may, perhaps, be found in this passage:—

"The Jews were not like other nations; the capture of their 'gods' did not destroy either their unity or their beliefs. They seemed to pass out of a nation into a religion, and to step through the yoke of a conquering people into the crown of a conquering creed. *Nati servituti* (born to slavery), said Cicero; *victi victoribus leges dederunt* (the victims gave laws to their victors), declared Seneca."

That is true. Nevertheless, the struggle for survival was hard and prolonged. The Jewish *State* was, of course, hopelessly destroyed, but surely Mr. Magnus errs in saying that the Jews ceased to be a *nation*. Is it not rather one of the most remarkable achievements of a remarkable people that even in their dispersion, and despite persecution, despite the loss of *Statehood*, they preserved their *Nationhood*?

An Agricultural People.

Many interesting points emerge from these pages. It will be news to many that the Jewish faculty for trade was an acquired, not an aboriginal ornative faculty. The Jews were originally an agricultural people. "Their Sabbath, festivals, holidays and poor law all rested on an agricultural foundation, and the rural Utopia which passed into the heritage of modern literature is essentially a Hebrew vision." So says Mr. Magnus, and he is undoubtedly right. They took to commerce because in the feudal communities which dominated society in the early middle ages there was no place for the despised and detested Jew. They were consequently driven to trade; but, as Mr. Magnus insists, "they were not bred to it, as were the Greeks who had been seafarers throughout their history, familiar with the Mediterranean ports. The Jews are never mentioned in pagan literature as a mercantile folk." But they had the brains for commerce and they acquired the aptitude.

Success in a New Metier.

What were the reasons for their remarkable success in their new métier? In answering this question our author puts first the *faculty of vision*, which lent the distance to Heine's lyre, and the leap to Spinoza's, thought, the architectonic to Disraeli's statecraft and perhaps the boldness to Rothschild's speculation'. Secondly, the Jew derived an immense store of optimism and patience from his inner experience. Most tenaciously throughout the ages he held to "his inextricably implanted belief in the Divine promise of a better day to come." Finally, the ethical value of their "household laws," the reign of the moral law of righteousness."

Another interesting point brought out in these pages is that it was the Crusades which drove the Jews to money-lending. And one more, on which Mr. Magnus lays great stress, that the Jews acted as "the carriers of Hellenism."

MOTHER OF 17 CHILDREN.

ATTEMPTED MURDER CHARGE DISMISSED.

Mrs. Elizabeth Lilian Reay, of Grange-road, Birkenhead, the mother of seventeen children, was found not guilty and acquitted at Chester Assizes recently of a charge of attempting to murder three of the children by gas poisoning.

She pleaded guilty to a charge of attempted suicide, and was sentenced to seven days' imprisonment on that charge, but she was at once discharged.

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Mrs. Reay's husband asked to be excused from giving evidence.

Mr. Bertram Reece, defending, said that Mrs. Reay had considerable anxiety. She was forty-four and had been the mother of seventeen children, of whom twelve were living. Pressure from the landlord respecting rent had affected her. She had to undergo an operation, and an expected child did not live.

BLACKMAIL GANG OF WOMEN.

SCANDAL HUNT FOR AN EVIL CAMPAIGN.

DOSS-HOUSE "G.H.Q."

Remarkable revelations of a group of women who use a London doss-house as their secret G.H.Q. to organise a systematically planned campaign of blackmail are made by Mrs. Cecil Chesterton in the following article in a London paper:—

Blackmail is a persistent occupation among certain women of the underworld. At a doss-house that I know, within the sound of Bow bells, there meet occasionally a small but efficient group who make their living out of this the cruellest of all crimes.

At a table pushed against the wall, out of the range of general view, some half a dozen elderly women are apparently engaged in friendly gossip. All neatly dressed, one old lady with soft wavy hair has the most benevolent blue eyes. Bits and scraps of paper are passed from one to the other. They occasionally pore over a written document.

They are engaged in analysing and dissecting the chances of levying toll on some poor victim.

Their method is this.

They study the newspapers carefully and keep track of all that happens in the social and political world. Directly a new name becomes prominent they fasten on it. An unknown candidate may be standing for Parliament; a man running for honours unexpectedly contributes large sums of money to charitable organisations.

Immediately they set to work to discover every possible detail. Investigation takes money, but the group can supply that. They live in good circumstances, often in the suburbs where they are well respected, only using the doss-house and similar haunts as meeting places where they can transact business without arousing comment in their own environment.

Gathering "Evidence."

Their agents establish confidential relations with the victim's domestic staff, and gossip as to his friends, relations, habits, and peculiarities is carefully collected. The hint of a scandal, the suggestion of a slip, and the whole story is rooted up.

There are few individuals who have not at least one indiscretion to their account, some youthful escapade which, resurrected, might impair a public career and bring pain and humiliation to wife and children.

It is this shrinking from exposure that brings the blackmailer her harvest. A letter, carefully drafted, suggests a meeting, when the recipient will learn something of personal interest. If, as sometimes happens, the communication is unanswered a stronger missive is despatched.

In many cases the unhappy prey comes to terms and cashes up. Once having yielded it becomes more and more difficult to appeal to the authorities. The extortion, though continuous, is small. Little and often is the rule of these professional blackmailers.

The Sleuth-Hounds.

A forthcoming marriage is announced. The woman has had many admirers, and a certain amount of gossip attaches to her career. The sleuth-hounds get on to her story and contrive to unearth some incident which she would prefer forgotten. She may not have told her fiancé and the discovery will suggest deliberate deceit. Very much in love, she will be foolish enough to pay for silence.

Once she is married her position is worse. She is earmarked for a regular annuity—silence, important before marriage, is unbreakable after.

In their time these women have been active in other forms of crime, but have realised there is more profit and less danger in this particular sort of exploitation. If discovered, their sentence is heavy, but on the whole the chances is heavy, but on the whole the chances of prison are very small. It is only when they make a bad selection that they are likely to be caught out, and their judgement of psychology is considerable.

They know just when and where to strike. Their private lives are outwardly respectable. They keep business strictly apart, and not one of the gang knows the home address of another, all arrangements being made verbally from meeting to meeting.

Their evil work is done quietly, unobtrusively. Nobody causally watching would suspect their real purpose. I found out the truth only by the most careful and veiled investigation.

LADY SEAFIELD'S ROMANCE.

AMAZING DIATRIBE OF A SCOTS NEWSPAPER.

"THE PITY OF IT!"

An astonishing diatribe on the subject of the secret wedding of the young Countess of Seafield was contained in a leading article in the *Banffshire Journal* recently.

The newspaper, commenting on the fact that the wedding was reported locally in seven lines, says:—

"Had matters taken the course that on such an occasion is traditionally accepted, not seven columns would have sufficed to contain the reports of the rejoicings of such a happy event. The pity of it!

"In the official report of the 'secret,' and certainly unknown, marriage of the young countess, it was stated that the wedding had taken place 'owing to the prolonged absence in East Africa of the Dowager Countess of Seafield.' It is certain, however, that the absence of the Countess Nina was not prolonged.

"On her departure she made arrangements to return in April, after which, so it was stated, the wedding of her daughter was to take place, an event that in ordinary circumstances would have been the cause of enthusiastic rejoicings throughout large areas of the north-east of Scotland."

Man Interviewed.

The newspaper then refers to a certain person, of whom, it says, "we confess we hear now for the first time," and who, after the wedding, "was interviewed by enterprising newspaper people to whom he seems to have related its various items in a way which certainly fails in its appeal to the tenantry on the estates of Cullen, Banff, Boyne, Keith, and Strathspey.

"He is represented as having said that the bridegroom and the countess 'just decided that a sudden secret wedding would be rather fun,' so he 'fetched' the bridegroom, and 'we went to fetch a special licence at Westminster. Then we collected Lady Seafield, and we all went to St. James.'

"Doubtless the archdeacon had also to be 'fetched,' and the bridegroom's mother 'collected.'

"Flippancy of this kind, and such undignified proceedings as are thus described do not make edifying reading in the Grant country, nor in the great territory in Banffshire where the name of Seafield has ever been identified with more regular and orthodox ways in the celebration of what is regarded as the supreme and most joyous day in the life of a girl, not to speak of a young peeress to whose wedding thousands of people would have looked forward with anticipations of joining in its enthusiastic celebration.

"Sense of Shock."

"The circumstances that have been detailed grate harshly on the feelings of people in the north of Scotland, who have regard to the traditional accompaniments and accepted associations of the wedding of a daughter of one of the great house of the land. It was quite well known how the Seafield trustees, in discharge of a great and important trust, have ever sought to establish the most intimate and friendly relations between their tenantry and her who they hoped would one day succeed to the estates. This hurried and secret marriage came, therefore, with a sense of shock and distaste that is manifest throughout the entire estates.

"News editors of London newspapers, we are told, telegraphed to their correspondents in the north to send them reports of the marriage rejoicings. There were no rejoicings."

A FIXED DATE FOR EASTER?

AUSTRIA'S NON-COMMITTAL ATTITUDE.

The British Government, which has asked a number of foreign Governments for a statement of their attitude towards a fixed date for Eastern, between April 9 and 16, will, according to the Vienna journal, the *Reichspost*, receive a reply from Austria saying that the Vienna Cabinet cannot agree until the Roman Catholic Church gives its assent to the proposal.

Theoretically, it would be possible to fix Easter at a date differing from that of the Catholic Church; but it would have little practical value, for the population would always celebrate the Easter festival with the church. In 1923 the then Chancellor was confronted by the same matter, when the Commission for International Traffic and Transit Commerce asked for the Austrian Government's attitude on the question of calendar reform, including a fixed date for Easter. The Government replied that it might be welcomed from the economic standpoint, but the fixing of the date had to be left exclusively to the church authorities.

DOCTORS GUILTY OF "IDEALISM."

EXCESS MEDICINE GIVEN TO POOR PATIENTS.

Thousands of poor people in East London are directly affected by a remarkable medical case which is now before the Minister of Health for final decision."

A fine of £100 has been recommended to the Ministry by the London Insurance Committee on four doctors, who are in partnership.

The reason for the penalty is that the doctors are alleged to have prescribed excessively in medicines and remedies for their penal patients.

The excessive prescribing is said to have taken place during a period of 1928. The matter first came before the panel committee, who came to the conclusion that the prescribing of the doctors was in excess by £99 of what was reasonably necessary for the treatment of the insured patients on their lists.

The doctors and the Ministry of Health were dissatisfied with this decision of the panel committee, and so the case was referred to a court of referees.

It was stated in the report of the referees—which came before the London Insurance Committee—that the average number of panel patients on the lists of the practitioners was 9,422, and of that total 3,196 were treated in the course of a quarter.

Prescriptions to the number of 22,326 were given. An extraordinary number of multiple prescriptions were given at one time to one patient.

Fees for Chemists.

Sometimes there were four of five prescriptions on one script, each prescription carrying its own dispensing fee to the chemist.

Other points in the report were:

The practitioners explained this high figure by the poor state of nutrition of a number of their patients.

The referees recognised that the practitioners had organised a highly efficient treatment centre in a poverty-stricken neighbourhood, where the conditions of life were very unfavourable.

Nevertheless, they had regretfully come to the conclusion that the evidence showed a considerable expenditure on drugs and medicines beyond what was reasonably necessary.

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An appeal has been lodged with the Minister of Health on the ground that the punishment is excessive.

Questions are also to be asked of Mr. Arthur Greenwood, the Minister of Health, in the House of Commons.

DRAMATIC CLIFF RESCUES.

CREW HAULED 100 FEET TO SAFETY.

A thrilling drama of the sea was enacted on the rocky cliffs near Ramsgate recently, when the crew of three were rescued by ropes from the French ketch Corbiere (70 tons), which was driven on the rocks between Ramsgate and Broadstairs during a fierce north-westerly gale.

The Corbiere was bound from St. Malo to Sittingbourne with a cargo of grain, when her engines broke down off the North Foreland. The vessel anchored, and the crew twice refused proffered assistance, thinking they could themselves repair the defect.

Anchors Dragged.

Later at night the gale sprang up, and the vessel dragged both her anchors, and was buffeted and swept by the heavy seas which at times completely submerged her, until she eventually ran on the rocks.

The Ramsgate lifeboat was launched shortly before midnight, but was unable to approach sufficiently close to the Corbiere to take off the men.

Meanwhile, a number of local boatmen, equipped with stout ropes, scaled the high cliffs, and, in face of the storm and driving rain, managed with difficulty to cast a rope to the men in the boat, who had lashed themselves to the mast to prevent the great seas sweeping them away.

Hauled to Safety.

They made each other fast to the rescue rope, and were hauled up the hundred feet cliff to safety.

The men, who were exhausted by their ordeal, were taken in a taxi-cab to the Sailors' Home, Ramsgate, where they were given a change of clothing and restoratives and put to bed.

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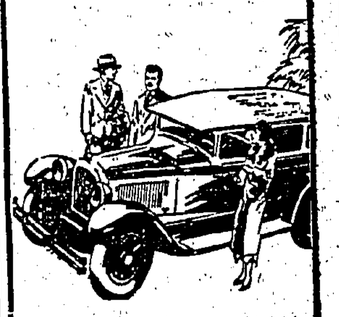
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NEW LOCAL CINEMA.

ANOTHER "TALKIE" THEATRE.

PARAMOUNT'S 1930 PRODUCTIONS.

Hong Kong will soon have another theatre open for the showing of "talkies." This is the Central Theatre, designed by Messrs. Palmer and Turner, and just completed on Queen's Road Central, not very far from the old fire-brigade station, on a piece of land the cost of which, with the buiding, must be over a million dollars. With Hotel buses stopping at the door, it is very conveniently situated, being only about two minutes ride from the Hong Kong Hotel.

The theatre is being equipped with the latest Western Electric sound equipment, used by all the first-class "talkie" cinemas in the United States.

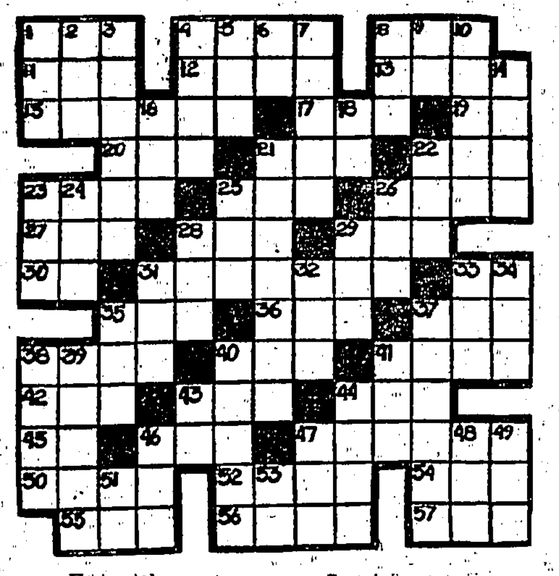
The owner of the theatre we understand, is a Chinese gentleman, for whom Mr. Ng Sze Kwong, the well-known sportsman, acts as attorney.

Coming Pictures.

The theatre will show, besides special pictures of other companies, all Paramount's 1930 sound productions, which contain many big attractions, such as "Cocoa-Nuts," featuring the greatest quartet of fun-makers in the world, the Marx brothers, Oscar Shaw, and Mary Eaton, a Ziegfeld beauty; "Glorifying the American Girl," showing 75 glorified beauties in colour; "Love Parade," featuring Maurice Chevalier, declared by the New York *Graphic* to be "Heaven's gift to the talkies"; "Why Bring That Up," featuring the Black Crows—Moran and Mack, the two commedian stars who have packed houses from coast to coast in the United States, and who have sold over 7,000,000 phonograph records. "Dance of Life," "Four Feathers," "Paramount on Parade," "Illusions," "Vagabond King," "Close Harmony," "Canary Murder Case," "Thunderbolt," and "Welcome Danger" are among Paramount's special productions this year.

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Horizontal.

1.—To talk volubly.
4.—A quarrel.
8.—To cut.
11.—Mouths.
12.—To detest.
13.—War god.
15.—Fright.
17.—A kind of dog.
19.—Negative.
20.—Pole.
21.—Part of mouth.
22.—Greek letter.
23.—To aid.
25.—Concealed.
26.—Part of window.
27.—A colour.
28.—Animal pouch.
29.—Liquor.
30.—Pronoun.
31.—Paymaster.
33.—From.
35.—Toy.
36.—Tree.
37.—Respect.
38.—To conspire.
40.—Writing fluid.
41.—Curved Moulding.
42.—Atmosphere.
43.—Worm.
44.—Beverage.
45.—Within.
46.—Everyone.
47.—Organ of body.
50.—Officer of cathedral.
52.—Dry.
54.—A deer.
55.—Diffident.
56.—Hair.
57.—Insect.
10.—Pertaining to prisons.
14.—Spirit.
16.—To putrefy.
18.—Above.
21.—A fungus plant.
22.—A metal.
23.—Part of body.
24.—An insect.
25.—Possesses.
26.—Address of respect.
28.—Juice of plants.
29.—Jewel.
31.—Bed.
32.—Class.
33.—To be in debt.
34.—Recompense.
35.—Jutting rock.
37.—Things to be done.
38.—Disbursed.
39.—Verses.
40.—The Mohammedan religion.
41.—Antique.
43.—Spanish for "the."
44.—Military assistant.
46.—One, no matter which.
47.—Relatives, generally.
48.—Vast age.
49.—Still.
51.—Exclamation.
53.—Sun god.

Vertical.

1.—Obtained.
2.—Part of "to be."
3.—Obstructed.
4.—Having foot coverings.
5.—Equality.
6.—By.
7.—Warm.
8.—To fall behind.
9.—Conjunction.

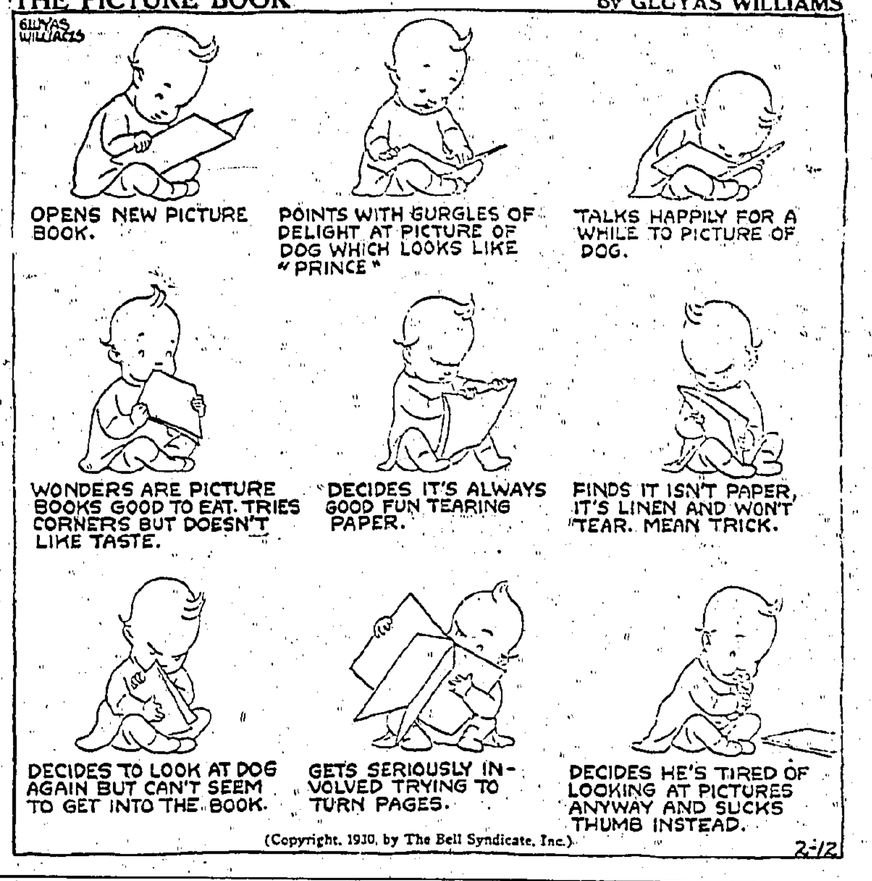
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HUMOUR: ANCIENT AND MODERN.

Teacher: "Will someone give me an example of modern fiction?"
Fred Dodger: "The term 'safety zone'!"

"Why does the word taxi indicate bad grammar?"
"Because it should be taxme, or taxus?"

"What, after all, is the biggest child problem?"
"How to answer little Willie's questions!"

Uncle: "And what are you going to be when you grow up, John?"
Nephew: "The same as you, uncle—an insulting engineer."

Rag and Bone Merchant. "Any beer bottles, lady?"
Lady: "Do I look as if I drank beer?"
"Well, vinegar bottles, lady?"

"Now," said the teacher, "a man who comes from Russia is called a Russian. What do we call a man who comes from Italy?"
"Please, teacher," piped a little voice, "an Italic."

Teacher (examining Teddy's homework): "I don't see how it is possible for a single person to make so many mistakes."
Teddy (proudly): "It isn't a single person, teacher. Father helped me."

"Three men go free this morning, warden. That leaves us only one prisoner in our jail."
"It's hard times, turnkey. If nothing better turns up we'll have to make him do another six months."

Elderly Lady (from the country). "Are you here guarding the King?"
Sentry: "Yes, Ma'am."
"Well, if I put this 'ere bag in your box, 'perhaps you wouldn't mind guarding that, too, while I take Willie shoppin.'"

Customer: "Last week I bought a tire cover from you, and now I want my money back"
Clerk: "Why?"
Customer: "I put it on one of my tire and hadn't driven 10 miles before the thing wore out."

First Poor Inventor: "I saw Briggs to-day. He looked happy, prosperous, well fed. Success must have come to him."
Second (sadly): "It has."
First: "What's he been working on?"
Second (more sadly): "A salary."

"Look here," said a man to the foreman builder, "can you give me a definite date on which this house will be completed? You see—I'm getting married when it is ready for occupation."
"Right," the foreman replied. "You leave it to me. I'll see the job's spun out as long as possible!"

Teacher: "Now, Willie, if James gave you a dog and David gave you a dog, how many dogs would you have?"
Willie: "Four."
Teacher: "Now, dear, think hard! Would you have four if James and David each gave you one?"
"Willie: "Yes. You see, I got two dogs at home now."

Conductor (to crowd swarming round a bus already full): "Full up, full up! This is a bus, not a flypaper!"

Proprietor: "Monsieur will have snails We are famous for them."
Diner: "I know, one served me here yesterday."

"How did Jinks make all his millions?"
"Oh, by inventing a road map that doesn't have to be folded."

Ethyl: "So your new boy friend is a furniture finisher."
Methyl: "Yeah."
Ethyl: "Does he polish or move?"

Old Lady. "If you really want work Farmer Gray wants a right-hand man."
Wanderer: "Jus' my luck, lidy—I'm left-'anded!"

Artist: "More interruptions! This is the third time I've had to draw this head!"
Wife: "Then try a change, darling. I want you to draw me a cheque."

Johnnie: "Mother, will you get my watch fixed to-day, sure?"
Mother: "Why are you in such a hurry?"
Johnnie: "Because I am secretary of the Safety Council and the teacher says I will have to keep the minutes to-morrow!"

A woman who had been paying a call on a friend was asked to stay and play a rubber of bridge. She acquitted herself rather poorly.
When her hostess was showing the visitor out she remarked politely: "It was nice of you to stay and play. You must come along again another evening—when we're stuck for a fourth."

It was the first day of February, and the teacher of a first-grade room asked her pupils: "Children, can anyone tell whose anniversary comes in this month?"
After much delay one little girl raised her hand. The teacher said, "Mary, you may tell us."
Mary very proudly stood up and said, "The groundhog's."

The self-made man was in the midst of his first interview. "How," inquired the reporter, "did you find time to read in those formative years?"
The self-made man patted his chest proudly. "I kept a good book open on my desk," said he, "and read it during telephone calls—while holding the wire after someone had said, 'Just a moment, please.'"

It was in a little town close to a Michigan summer resort. Two men pased an elderly woman selling balloons from a stand. One man decided what was needed to make his day brighter was balloons. So he purchased not one balloon, or two balloons, or a dozen balloons, but all the balloons the woman had. He paid her at least twice the amount she would have realized had she sold them singly. Despite this, and that she could take a half-holiday from her corner, the woman looked rueful.
"Now, what's the matter?" he asked.
"You didn't leave me anything to do business with," she complained.

TO-DAY'S WIRELESS PROGRAMME.

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11 to 11.30 a.m.—Commercial News.
12.30 to 1.30 p.m.—Demonstration programme.
1.30 p.m.—Weather report.
5 to 5.30 p.m.—European programme of Victor records supplied by Messrs. Tsang Fook Piano Company:—
"Die Fledermaus — Overture" (Johann Strauss), Victor Symphony Orchestra.
"Minstrel Show Of 1929," Victor Minstrel, Male Voices with Orchestra.
"Down By The Old Hill Stream" (Tell Taylor) and "Pale Moon (An Indian Love Song)" (Jesse G. M. Glick-Frederick Knight Logan), National Cavaliers, Male Quartet with Piano, accompaniment by David Buttolph.
"Moani Ke Ala," by Sam Kuu West Harmony Boys.
"Kawaiaho Waltz," by Kane's Hawaiians.
5.30 to 6 p.m.—Aunty Letty, Aunty Madge and Uncle Jack will entertain the children.
6 to 7 p.m.—European programme of Victor records supplied by Messrs. Tsang Fook Piano Co.:
"Ballet Egyptien Suite" (Luigini), Concert Orchestra.
"Gems From Pinafore" (Gilbert-Sullivan), Victor Light Opera Company.
"Clayton's Grand March" (C. D. Blake) and "In Lilac Time—March" (E. Engelmann), Victor Band.
"St. Louis Blues" (W. C. Handy) and "Gems From 'Blackbirds of 1928'" (McHugh-Fields), Warren Mills and His Blue Serenaders, Mixed Voices with Orchestra.
"Trovatore Selection" (Verdi), Creatore's Band.
"Gems from 'Sunny'" (Harbach-Hammerstein-Kern) and "Gems from 'Cocoanuts'" (Irving Berlin), Victor Light Opera Co.
"Tales from the Vienna Woods—Waltz" (Johann Strauss), International Concert Orchestra, Nathaniel Shilkret, Director.
7 to 7.30 p.m.—Rev. H. R. Wells will give the 5th lesson in Cantonese
7.30 to 8 p.m.—Experimental programme.
9 p.m.—Chinese programme relayed from Ko Shing Theatre until end of play.

FIRST AID FOR CLIMBERS.

EMERGENCY MEASURES IN SWITZERLAND.

An organisation has been created in the Swiss military aerodrome of Dubendorf, near Zurich, by which the aviators will be employed to search for parties reported missing in the mountains, a task up to now done by guides. On receiving a report of four tourists missing on the southern slopes of the Santis in Eastern Switzerland recently, the aviators succeeded in finding them and providing them with food and woollen rugs within half an hour. Then they dropped a message at Unterwasser showing the exact position of the party.

Another improvement in the safety service for mountaineers is announced in the *Alpina*, the paper of the Swiss Alpine Club. As statistics show that many accidents are caused or accentuated by general collapse or heart-failure, guides will now be provided with the necessary instruments and the necessary instructions to supply remedial treatment in emergency.

"DESPERATELY ANXIOUS" TO MARRY.

NAVAL OFFICER AND AN UNKNOWN WOMAN.

A plea for mercy for a husband who was desperately anxious to marry another woman and a wife's reluctance to ask for a divorce were features of a remarkable case in the Divorce Court, London, last month.

The case drew from Mr. Justice Hill a comment that he regarded "the state of the law as singularly unfortunate," but he had to take the law as it stood.

Mrs. Bertha Lucy Gunn, of Felpham, Bognor Regis, petitioned for a decree of judicial separation on the ground of the misconduct of her husband, Lt.-Comdr. Philip Leonard Gunn, of the Royal Navy, said to be stationed at Portsmouth.

Mr. Geoffrey Tyndale, counsel for the husband, said there was no dispute that he committed misconduct. He was desperately anxious to marry the woman, and if, in mercy, the wife would ask for a decree of dissolution it would be in her interest and likewise in the public interest.

The Wife's Reasons.

Mr. Beddington, for the wife, said he had discussed the matter with her and there were certain reasons which accounted for her attitude. Up to quite recently the husband was allowing his wife £22 a month. Since he confessed his misconduct and his affection for another woman he had reduced the allowance to £11 a month, and last month to £8. If the wife got a judicial separation it was a final decree, and she could proceed at once to obtain alimony.

If she got a divorce she had to wait six months before she could get an order. The only information the husband had given about the woman he had confessed his affection for was that she was living 200 miles from Portsmouth.

The wife might reconsider the matter when she knew who the other woman was. In the meantime she was entitled to a final decree of judicial separation.

He was instructed to give the name of the other woman to Mr. Beddington and if necessary call the husband, who, he repeated, was desperately anxious to marry the woman. It was a dreadful thing if he could not.

Mr. Justice Hill said the law did not give him any discretion. The discretion was with the wife. He regarded the state of the law as singularly unfortunate, but he had to take the law as it stood.

Mr. Tyndale said the Judge had held in another case that he had a limited discretion.

The Judge: I have to be satisfied it is not for some indirect motive.

Mr. Tyndale: It seems to be money and nothing else.

Mr. Beddington: She is entitled to the widest possible provision.

Mr. Tyndale said Lieut.-Comdr. Gunn had been paying his wife what he was advised she was entitled to on *pendente lite* rights. As the holder of the King's commission the matter was of vital concern to his future, and he hoped she would show a little mercy.

The wife gave evidence in support of her petition. The marriage was in April, 1919, at the Parish Church at Teddington. They lived at various places, last at Felpham, Bognor. There was one child, a boy born in 1923.

Judge on "Common Sense."

The Judge adjourned the case so that the petition might be amended by including the name of the woman with whom misconduct was alleged. He said that would give an interval for reconsideration, and added:—

"I hope when the petition is amended by putting in the name of the woman it will be also amended in another way. The difficulty has occurred, owing to the unfortunate state of the law, which prevents the wife, until the decree is made absolute, applying for permanent maintenance.

"I have no doubt that could be got over by agreement. It is a direct inducement to ask for judicial separation instead of divorce, though, ultimately, you can do better on divorce because you can get security. For the moment, however, you are in a worse position.

"When I try to apply common sense to divorce I am always knocking my head up against a brick wall."

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WHAT ARE HEAVEN AND HELL?

CATHEDRAL SERMON AND DISCUSSION.

IS THERE A "SECOND CHANCE,"

The second of the special Lenten addresses at St. John's Cathedral was given on Sunday evening to a very large congregation by the Rev. G. K. Carpenter. Afterwards there was a very interesting discussion in the Cathedral Hall.

The preacher, who took as his subject "What are Heaven and Hell," emphasised at the outset that all such conceptions must be in harmony with the principle that God is Love. Any idea of arbitrary and unjust infliction of punishment, especially eternal punishment must be banished. On the other hand it was equally dangerous to believe that God was "too goodnatured" to allow the existence of hell. Before the War the general idea had been to take the future life for granted and to be sceptical of individual survival for eternity, but when thousands of young men were being cut off in full strength of manhood, the desire to learn and know something of the future state became insistent, and many had turned to spiritualism, though there the comfort given had been vague and arid. To himself, said the speaker, the reality of the life beyond death seemed essential to any conception of God, as the God of Love. He had planted in us our personalities; He had given us the desire for immortality and the promise contained in the Gospel. To withhold it would be as if God were cheating humanity.

Heaven was not for the perfect—for no man was perfect. It was for those whose faces were set in the right way—towards light, and not darkness. Every day we were changing, and the problem was whether we were changing for better or for worse. Were we becoming more or less, like God?

The Nature of Heaven.

The nature of Heaven had not been revealed, and to many the pictures given in the Book of Revelation were dull and depressing. They were allegorical but a few things were suggested. The city suggested comradeship—and in the day when the book was written a city stood for security and progress as against stagnation and isolation of the village. The singing again was emblematical of happiness, of each personality setting about his task, feeling confidence in it and in his own power of achievement as one did not often feel confidence in this life. There was also the suggestion of activity, not passivity—of carrying out the will of God the Worker. Whatever the future existence might be it was safe to assume that God would not disappoint us—that it would be one of beauty and grandeur; all worthy achievement here would have continuation in Heaven; the artist, poet, engineer and statesmen would feel that their work was needed.

The "Other Place."

What was the distinction between this and the fate of the man who turned his face in the opposite direction? By that was not meant the person who found difficulty in believing this or that theological doctrine, but the man who lived for himself, had no hesitation in hurting others for his own purpose and advantage—the man who shut out God and the call of humanity. The persons who had never heard of Christ would, again, we could be sure, be given their opportunity.

What was the nature of the life prepared for those who shut out God? The mediaeval hell of physical torture could be rejected as the creation of a crude and cruel age. But in God's love there was a moral quality, there was a distinguishing between right and wrong. Upon this Christ was insistent. Hell was the place where God is not. Is there any place where the soul of man was cut off finally from God? We did not know. But if a man refused to choose the right in this life, was it not possible that he would never choose it? This world was (though here no dogmatism was possible) the place where we learned to choose right or wrong. Life was made up of choices between truth and falsehood, justice and expediency. And each choice shaped our characters. We ranged ourselves again and again every day for Christ or against him, and if we persistently rejected him, the time might be, when, on seeing Christ's love as it is, we should smite that love on the face and go our own way.

THE DISCUSSION.

Purgatory.

The first question raised at the discussion, that of the doctrine of Purgatory, evidently interested a large number of others as it led to question after question bearing on the same subject. The preacher expressed as his opinion that the old doctrine of Purgatory as it stands, did not fit in with his belief that the future destiny of each one was decided by his outlook during his life. Purgatory if it could be said to exist was not a place where sinners suffered but where those were sent who were not yet fit for heaven. He looked on Heaven as being different according to each person who entered there.

"Irrevocably Labelled?"

Asked if he considered that at the moment of death people were "irrevocably labelled for heaven or hell," Mr. Carpenter answered that death did not, in his opinion, end the struggle, but he was sure that importance must be laid on the present life as the place where the supreme choice was made.

The story of Dives and Lazarus was cited by another speaker as a proof that improvement was possible after death, but Mr. Carpenter pointed out that Jesus' answer had been that Dives' brothers had Moses and the Prophets—the issues had been plainly put before them.

Asked about those who had died never having heard of Christ, Mr. Carpenter said that he believed that they would be judged—like many who professed agnosticism or atheism—according to their reaction to the light they had. No one was entirely without a conscience.

Heaven and Hell the Same Place.

Some one present suggested that heaven and hell were the same place, only that it was heaven to some and hell to others. Mr. Carpenter replied that he did not think the place entered into it at all. We began to make our heaven or hell here and we took it with us. Later in reply to another question as to how a good mother could be happy in heaven if her son were in hell, he said that they might be together though one was in heaven and the other outside. He thought it probable that part of the work of those in heaven might be searching for those outside to bring them in. The mother would be happy in this work, though her suffering was of the same sort, but less extreme, than that of God separated from man.

A speaker asked if heaven was a material place. Jesus had ascended in a material body which could eat and drink. Would we need material subsistance there? Mr. Carpenter replied that he could not imagine disembodied spirits. He believe that we should have a body, as St. Paul suggested, but of indestructable matter. Things corresponding to the social pleasures would not be lacking in Heaven. Jesus had spoken of drinking the fruit of the vine with his disciples in His Father's kingdom.

In reply to another question, the preacher said that he did not believe that a man could be held responsible for choosing wrong when illness had sapped his power of free choice.

Faith and Works.

With reference to the questions of salvation by faith or by works, brought up by several different speakers, Mr. Carpenter said that to accept Christ meant more than mere intellectual acceptance; it meant accepting the things He loved and was, and trying to live as He did.

With reference to human relationships after death, Mr. Carpenter said that he felt they could not be destroyed. A relationship on the purely physical side would cease to exist but love was in the nature of God and therefore eternal.

Touching on the question of the last judgment in reply to another question, he said that the judgment was probably happening all the time. He thought that at death the soul was directed towards the portals of one of the two places Heaven or Hell.

Later the Dean, announcing that it was past 8 p.m. closed the meeting. Refreshments were served to those who wished for them.

COLLEGE COURSE TO STUDY EVIL.

WIDOW OF CLERGYMAN AS LECTURER.

Dr. Hamilton Holt, the famous American educationist and President of Rollin's College, Winter Park, Florida, announced the establishment of a department "for the study of evil."

Mrs. Corra Harris will be the head of the department. She is the widow of a Methodist clergyman, and the noted authoress of "A Circuit Rider's Wife" and other books.

Breaking New Ground.

This is the first time, so far as is known, of an educational institution establishing a course of study of "evil."

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LAST YEAR'S COMMITTEE REPORT.

The report of the Committee of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hong Kong states:

The membership at the above date was as follows:—Honorary Members, 1; Ordinary Members 84; Associate Members, 84; Seagoing Ordinary, 68; Seagoing Associate, 54; Visiting "B" 38; Outport Members, 11; Absent Members, 308; Apprentice Members, 1; Total, 627.

During the year 50 new members were elected, 34 members resigned. Sixteen members have been written off on account of breach of regulations or continued absence without the necessary notification to the Hon. Secretary. It is particularly requested that any change of address or ship be notified, as well as absence from the Colony on leave or otherwise.

It is with regret that the Committee report the loss by death of the following members:—Messrs. G. W. C. Burnett, L. A. Cossart, H. W. Parry, R. H. Short, L. M. Whyte.

Hon. Librarian's Report.

Fiction Library.—This has been maintained at 3,000 volumes as heretofore and it has been found that it would be impracticable to increase that total on the income received combined with the necessity of discarding overworked volumes in order to keep the stock moderately tidy and presentable.

The number of the more solid type of literature has increased by 21 due to the thoughtful generosity of Members and a want still (and always) exists for books of this type which will be very gratefully received.

The Hon. Librarian notes with regret a further decline in the circulation, the number of books taken out during the year being 10,330 against 11,287 in the previous year, a drop of 957 against the previous drop of 550. Suggestions from Members on this matter will be very welcome.

Literary Council.

It is regrettable that our activities have fallen off considerably owing to the very great difficulty of persuading Members to prepare Papers and/or Lectures on technical subjects. Only two Papers have been read during the Session:—One by Engineer Capt. W. H. Michell, R.N. (Member) entitled "Some Difficulties in the Manufacture and Trials of Diesel Engines." One by Mr. W. L. E. Miller (Member) entitled "On Broadcasting." Our sincere thanks are due to these gentlemen for their very interesting Papers which were very much appreciated by Members and friends.

The attendance of Members of the Hong Kong University Engineering Society at our lectures has been most gratifying and we sincerely trust that they will give us their support in future. We also wish to record our thanks for the many kind invitations Members have received to attend lectures at the University.

The kind co-operation of Mr. C. A. Middleton Smith, Taikoo Professor of Engineering, and the students, is always extremely helpful.

Billiards.

During the year billiard returns have improved considerably, in fact the last month reached a figure which is almost a record.

The Committee of management have extended their grateful thanks to Mr. G. C. Watson, Members of Wo Fat Shing Co., and Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., for their kindness in presenting cups for competition.

Hon. Treasurer's Report.

The result of the year's working is a loss of $1,316.93 as against a loss for 1928 of $3,750.05.

The cost of redecorating the premises early in the year was $1,600 of which sum $800 has been written off in the 1929 Accounts, leaving a further $800 to be charged against Income and Expenditure Account during 1930.

Income for 1929 shows an increase over the previous year of $3,203 due chiefly to the following causes:—Profit on Bar, increase, $2,606; Billiards Receipts, increase, $254; profits on Christmas Draw, Race Sweeps and Concerts, etc., increase, $926; less decrease in subscriptions, $583.

Cash on Fixed Deposit at December 31, 1929, was less than the previous year by $6,300 due to $7,500 being withdrawn during 1929 from Deposit to pay for the cost of Redecorating the Premises and wiping off the overdraft in Current Account at the end of 1928.

House.

During the year the premises have been thoroughly cleaned and painted, the lavatory and bathroom accommodation improved and the furniture overhauled.

A Special Sub-Committee has enquired into the advisability of retaining and improving the East Wing for the further comfort of members and reported to the Managing Committee.

The decision of the Committee to carry on as before (in principle) until the expiration of the lease of the premises would seem justified by the improvement shown in receipts for the last quarter, and it is expected that the work of rearrangement in hand will be completed before the annual meeting.

STOCKTAKING AT THE LONDON ZOO.

COLLECTION WORTH £33,000.

Curators at the London Zoo are just now asking themselves such questions as "What is the aye-aye worth" for they are finishing their annual task of valuing every creature in the collection—except those on loan—for the yearly audit.

Regular visitors to the gardens would probably find it hard to give a rough estimate of the total value of the collection. Actually it is worth about £35,000, though the value naturally fluctuates from year to year.

Many familiar animals have a fixed value. Thus Indian elephants are worth £600; African elephants, £700; Indian rhinoceroses, £1,000; African rhinoceroses, £550; American bison, £500; giraffes, £500; hippopotami, £800; lions, £550; tigers, £100; king penguins, £75; birds-of-paradise, £40; and the aye-aye, £30.

Prices vary a little according to age, sex, demand, and supply.

Not long ago blue budgerigars retailed £100 a pair. Had this large price been maintained the stock in the Zoo's aviaries would now be worth thousands of pounds; but budgerigars have since bred so freely in other collections that today they can be bought for £2 a pair.

£10 Flamingoes.

Any bird or mammal difficult to rear is worth considerably more than its cost price. Cape penguins, for instance, and European flamingoes can be bought for £10 each. Unfortunately, they are often infected with myosis, and only live a short time. Hence those that survive are valued highly. More hardy creatures, like cranes and storks, are only worth what was originally paid for them.

Young seals, again, are barely worth the carriage, since they do not thrive on forcible feeding, the only practicable method on a journey. Those, therefore, that survive the trials of infancy are worth a hundred times their cost price.

The cost of keeping an animal is taken into consideration in estimating its worth. Some, like the walrus, consume daily so many pounds of fish, flesh or fowl that their value is thereby decreased.

The two most uncommon creatures at present in the Zoo are the takin and the great echidna. The takin is valued at £200, though visitors are not greatly attracted by it. The great echidna, too, prefers its sleeping box to the limelight, and has to be ruthlessly hauled out by its keeper whenever visitors wish to view it.

Probably the rarest creatures of all, however, are the Komodo dragons. Besides being great favourites with the public, they attract the attention of scientists from all over the world. As they are only lent to the Zoo, they do not appear in the annual balance-sheet, but if they did they would undoubtedly head the list.

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WIFE'S SURPRISE AFTER TEN MONTHS.

A remarkable situation was revealed at the Marylebone Police Court last month when a wife, having buried a man she believed at the time to be her husband and drawn death benefit from an insurance company, applied for a warrant for her husband's arrest on the ground that he owed her money under a maintenance order.

It was explained that the woman obtained a maintenance order against her husband in 1917. He disappeared five years later, and for two years she did not see him or hear anything of him. Then she saw a description of a man found dead on the Piccadilly Railway and she went to the mortuary and identified the body as that of her missing husband.

Inquest Re-opened.

She took the body away and buried it and received death benefit from an insurance company. The inquest was reopened ten months later and the body was identified by another woman.

"Yes, it was my husband after all," interjected the woman, "so now I want a warrant for his arrest under the maintenance order."

Mr. Bingley, the magistrate, suggested later that she should have a talk with the missionary about it.

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Interviewed by our representative on the matter, Mr. W. Schofield, Assistant Superintendent of Imports and Exports, said:—

TO START ON APRIL 1.

"The system of collecting trade statistics which is about to be tried differs a good deal from the permit system employed up to 1925. Then a merchant had to make out a permit and send it to the Statistics Office before he could take delivery of goods or send them to a ship for export. The present system may be called a port event or post declaration: for importers and exporters will not be required to make any report or return till they have received or dispatched their goods.

"With certain exceptions, every article imported into the Colony whether on order or by trader travelling with his goods, has, in less than seven days, to be reported to the statistics office by the importer on the import declaration form, provided by this office. The seven days are to be counted from the day the importer takes delivery, not from the arrival of the ship.

"In the same way, within seven days after any article is exported the exporter must fill up an export declaration form showing what he has done. These forms can be obtained at the statistics office, and when filled up, may, if desired, be sent to the office by post.

Import and Export Forms.

"The import and export forms are very much alike and extremely simple. The following points, however, should be noted in filling them up:—

(a.)—Manner of arrival: this space is provided for stating whether the goods described in the declaration arrived by rail, road or air. When ship's name is given the space can be left blank, as it is then presumed that the goods came by sea.

(b.)—In the "description" column the names of the articles declared should agree as far as possible with the classification list which will shortly be published. It is the list formerly used but revised and brought up to date.

(c.)—The values should be given as follows:—For imports the official T.T. selling rate of the C.I.F. value on the date of declaration for exports F.O.B. value at Bank's buying rate of the day.

(d.)—In the import form the "country of origin" column should, if the goods are manufactured, show the Company from which they came in their present condition, not the country where manufacture started. Thus French pig-iron may be sent to Germany and made into hard-ware, and from there shipped to London to be sent here: the goods there should be listed as German. If, however, the importer only knows that the goods come from London, and is unaware of their previous history he should give Great Britain as the country of origin.

Special Forms for Chinese Traders.

"Special Chinese forms of declaration will be provided for the use of Chinese traders who will be able, if they wish, to make their returns in their own language.

"One further obligation. Everyone who sends a bill of lading or other document to a shipping company for counter signature or, in the case of an exporter, delivers and make a receipt on similar document to them, must first write or stamp the name and address of himself or his firm plainly upon the document, so that the shipping company may know exactly who the importers and exporters dealing with them are.

"This regulation is intended to enable the shipping company to send to this office full lists of importers and exporters as required by that part of the regulation which deals with Shipping Companies. It can readily be seen that in working a system of this kind, the only way we have of seeing that all importers and exporters make their returns in time is by comparing their declaration with the manifests sent in by the Shipping Companies, getting the names and addresses of all who have not made declarations and reminding them.

Duties of Owners, Masters and Compradores.

"The other regulations define the duties of ship owners, masters and compradores with regard to delivering manifests to this office, and reporting consignees or consignors names and addresses.

"One provision framed to meet local conditions deserves some attention. The owners of certain ships are accustomed to charter them for very short periods, first to one firm and then to another, and unless the Statistics Office is able to keep track of these charterings it becomes impossible to find any one able or willing to send in a manifest, if for any reason, the charterer neglects to do it. Hence all transfers of the control of ships are in future to be reported to the Statistics office with the name and address of the transferee and in the case of a charter, the duration and nature of the charter.

"The goods exempted from the regulations include all "through" cargo remaining on the ship importing it, ships stores, personal luggage, articles sent through the Post Office and travellers' samples. Figures of trans-shipment cargo will be kept as far as possible.

Monthly Return For All Kwangtung.

"There will be a monthly publication of returns and an annual statistical report which will give details as fully as possible. Names of shippers, cargo marks, manifests and all details not published in returns will be confidential.

"It is hoped to make the collected statistics cover the whole extent of Hong Kong's trade, including that of Canton, the West River and the Kwangtung coast line which was not dealt with under the old system.

"In conclusion I wish to emphasise that the system has been devised so as to cause the least possible trouble and interference with trade, that it's success depends mainly on hearty public co-operation, and that if this co-operation is lacking it may become necessary to consider the re-establishment of the former Permit system with its various inconveniences. It is our duty to make this contribution to the world's common stock of knowledge of its trade, since without it that body of knowledge must always remain incomplete."

ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY.

ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP 517.

The Hong Kong St. George's Society is holding its annual meeting on Friday, at 5.30 p.m. in the Board Room of the General Chamber of Commerce.

The Committee's report states:—

The general funds show a balance of $4,452.88 made up of cash in hand on current account, and on fixed deposit $3,452.88 and Public Works Loan $1,000 as against a balance of $5,168.86 brought forward from last year.

During the year numerous calls have been made on the Society for assistance, and grants, to the sum of $966.05 have been given.

On St. George's Day a wreath was laid on the Cenotaph, later the Band of the 1st Battalion Somerset Light Infantry played the "Retreat" on the Cricket Club's ground, and during the evening the Society was "at home" to the United Services at the Lee Theatre. A wreath was also laid on the Cenotaph on Armistice Day.

The Society's Ball was held on the 4th January, and once again proved a great success. The annual golf match against St. Andrew's Society took place at Fanling on November 1929, resulting in a narrow victory for this Society.

Your Committee deeply regret to have to record the death of the following members since the last report:—Captain G. D. Arthur, Mr. G. W. C. Burnett, Mr. W. J. Eldridge, Mr. J. H. Ramsay and Mr. H. P. White.

During the year, 58 new members joined the Society, bringing the active membership up to 517.

The accounts have been audited by Mr. C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A., to whom our thanks are due.

MURDEROUS ATTACK ON TWO WOMEN.

OFFENDER "UNDER OBSERVATION."

After a stay of two days at the Kowloon Hospital where he was under observation as to his mental condition, Luk Son (35) unemployed, appeared before Mr. Whyte-Smith yesterday on a charge of causing grievious bodily harm to two Chinese women.

His Worship, after reading the doctor's certificate, intimated that he would require medical evidence. He suggested that he should treat the case as a committal one and charge the defendant with attempted murder. The question of his sanity would then be investigated by the jury.

Relating the story of the alleged attack, Detective-Sergeant Fitches said the assault followed a quarrel between the parties. They all lived in the same house.

After considering the case, His Worship remanded the defendant for one week for further observation as to his mental condition.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS OPEN TO-DAY.

THREE TRIALS ON THE CALENDAR.

There are three cases for trial at the March Criminal Sessions which will open at the Supreme Court at 10 a.m. this morning.

Two of them will be heard by the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood). Four men, Chung Kau, Chan Chung, Wong Ping and Lo Nam, are charged with of robbery, and three other men, Yu Sang, Li Sze and Ip Sui Wan, were committed for trial by the District Officer's Court for the alleged murder of a sampan woman at Cheung Chau. The charge of murder, however, has been dropped, and they are now charged with assault and robbery.

The remaining case will be taken by the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan) to-morrow morning. Lo Ming Chau and Chan Chung Nam are alleged to have conspired together in the negotiations for the ransom of Mr. Hsu, a passenger kidnapped on board the s.s. Deli Maru.

HONG KONG POLICE RESERVE.

[ORDERS BY HON. MR. E. D. C. WOLFE, INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE.]

Chinese Company.

Training Course—Part 2.—The class for instruction in police duties and regulations will be held as usual at the Police Training School, Kowloon, on Tuesday, March 18, at 5.30 p.m.

Squad Drill.—All recruits of the Chinese Company, who have not yet passed part 1 of Training Course, will attend at Central Police Station on Thursday, March 20, at 5.30 p.m. sharp, for squad drill under P/Sergeant R. J. Hunt. Dress: Mufti.

Training Course. — Constable R38 Chan Ping Fai has been passed out as efficient in Part 1 of Training Course.

Indian Company.

Training Course. — Constable R232 Shah Mohamed has been passed out as efficient in Part 1 of Training Course.

Flying Squad.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place on Tuesday, March 18. Fall in at the Tsim-tsa-tsui Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress: Winter uniform and cap with white cover.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Hong Kong Section will take place on Friday, March 21. Fall in at the Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress: Winter uniform and cap with white cover.

Sharpshooters' Company.

Strength. — Constable R405 T. Williams has been taken on the strength of the Sharpshooters' Company, as from March 12.

General.

Revolver Practice.—The weekly revolver practice (voluntary) will take place at the Bowen Road Revolver Range on Wednesday, March 19, from 9 p.m. to 10.30 p.m.

(Sgd.) D. L. King,
D.S.P. (R.).

Hong Kong, March 17, 1930.

"Undoubtedly the girl was in a state of hysteria at the time, which might be due to excessive cigarette smoking," said Mr. Justice Avory at the Devonshire Assizes when he bound over Jessie Eveline Andrews, aged twenty-one, who was stated to be an excessive cigarette smoker. Andrews was accused of unlawfully wounding another girl with a knife, and it was stated that the attack arose from jealousy regarding a man. Mr. Justice Avory urged Andrews to control her temper and to give up cigarette smoking, or, he said, it might lead to further mischief.

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PERSECUTION UP COUNTRY.

BISHOP VALTORTA'S TERRIBLE REVELATIONS.

MURDER AND TORTURING BY REDS.

BISHOP VERSIGLIA'S FUNERAL.

The Right Reverend Bishop Valtorta returned to Hong Kong yesterday from Shiukwan, when he attended the funeral of Bishop Versiglia and Father Caravario, the victims of a brutal bandit outrage, on February 24 in the Yingtak district.

His Lordship informed our representative that a most impressive funeral service was held on Thursday. The long procession through the streets of Shiukwan was followed by large numbers of Chinese Christians, and the whole community was deeply moved by the event. "The Chinese community knew that these two men had given their lives in defence of three Chinese women, and though an act of self-sacrifice of that nature is a new idea to many up-country Chinese, there is no doubt as to the deep impression created and the genuine respect and admiration felt for the two murdered missionaries.

Special Mass was celebrated at the Chapel of Selesian Mission Industrial School, by the Right Reverend Bishop Fourguet, assisted by Bishops Valtorta, Walsh and Nunes. After the procession, the burial took place in the chapel.

Among those present were the Civil Prefect of Shiukwan, Mr. J. Tang, Secretary to General Chen Ming Shu, Civil Governor of Canton, whom he represented and a number of military officers. Professor Wu, of the Chung Shan University was also present.

The Chinese authorities have instituted a thorough search for the bandits and two more arrests, besides the arrest reported some days ago have since been effected. These prisoners have been unhesitatingly recognised by the three sisters as members of the bandit party who held them up.

Twenty-six Priests Killed In Six Years.

Discussing the trouble condition of the neighbouring provinces of China at the present moment, his Lordship said that the district of Haifong, in particular, was in a very bad state, Communistic rule being unchallenged by the small number of Government troops left to guard the city. The Chinese Christians were subject to constant persecution and threats, two being recently tortured and eventually beheaded by the "Red" leaders "for advocating the Christian faith." Long letters describing this persecution and the frequent looting of the missions were being received from the priests in that district, where not a week passed without an attack by these gangs. Moreover, there was no sign of the Communists being quelled. The civil wars had drawn all troops from the country leaving it to the mercy of the Reds and bandits.

Within the last six years, said his Lordship, twenty-six Roman Catholic priests had been murdered in South China alone. Of these all were Europeans, except two Chinese priests.

In the last eleven months eight priests, and two Bishops had been murdered.

"These priests who sent into the interior," concluded his Lordship, "must prepare themselves to face the worst, for there is no saying what will happen in the unprotected districts."

Further Outrages by Bandits.

Yesterday information was received in the Colony by the local French Mission, that Father Crocq, who was in charge of the Mission Etrangeres at Taipingfu, had been captured by bandits on February 20. The message stated that Father Crocq was seized by the Communists and his mission house burnt. They carried their captive to a place called Sheung Chui, half way between Taiping and Lungchow where he was tortured. No further messages had been received but the Mission are doing all they can to effect Father Crocq's rescue.

The news of a second outrage by bandits at Namong, near Nanning, has been received by the French mission and Rev. Father Caysac who was in charge of the mission there has been taken captive.

Naval Message Confirms the News.

A naval wireless message confirms the story of Father Crocq's capture, it states:—

Information has been received to the effect that an American Missionary arrived at Wuchow a few days ago. He stated that the conditions in Kwangsi were very bad, as everyone was looting. He reported that Father Crocq of Taipingfu had been captured by bandits.

The situation at Wuchow is quiet.

PRESENTATION TO MR. F. R. MARSH.

TOKEN FROM "HONG KONG ELECTRIC" STAFF.

ACTIVE INTEREST IN WELFARE WORK.

The local staff of the Hong Kong Electric Company yesterday made a presentation to Mr. F. R. Marsh, M.I.E.E., manager of the Company, on the occasion of his impending departure for England where, it is understood, he will take up the post of the Company's Consulting Engineer and London Representative.

Mr. Marsh has been connected with the Company for the past eight years, and commenting on the part played by him in the development of the Company, the Chairman at the last annual meeting of the Hong Kong Electric Company said that during Mr. Marsh's period of office the capacity of their plant increased from 5,000 K.W. to 23,000 K.W., and the gross profits from about 7 lakhs to nearly 2½ million dollars.

Mr. Marsh has taken a great interested in the welfare of the Local Staff and in the Local Staff Association, which aims at the promotion of athletic and social activities among its members. The presentation yesterday was from the members of this Association and took the form of a travelling clock. The address, read by an old member of the staff, Mr. C. G. Silva, was as follows:—

Sir,—The members of the local staff of the Hong Kong Electric Co., Ltd., wish on the occasion of your approaching retirement from the service of the Company, to give expression to our feelings towards you. During the period of our service under you we have always felt that you took a personal interest in our welfare and that our difficulties and our endeavours to improve ourselves have had your sympathetic consideration and encouragement. We wish you to know that your attitude towards us has made it a matter not only of pleasure but also justifiable pride for us to serve this Company conscientiously and to the best of our ability.

We shall rememer you, too, for your active personal interest, as patron of the Hong-Kong Electric Local Staff Association, which made possible the extension of our activities of Sport and Recreation.

Our regret at your departure is tempered by the thought that you leave us in order to enjoy a hard-earned rest and holiday.

As a tangible evidence of our loyal feelings towards you, we now ask you to accept this clock, hoping that the passage of time will continue to bring you happiness and prosperity.

Mr. Marsh thanked the members of the local staff for their present which, he said, he will treasure as a memento of his connection with them. He had been struck with their keenness and loyalty in the execution of their duties and it had been a pleasure to work with them.

NEW BARRISTER FOR HONG KONG.

MR. YEW KOK LEONG ENROLLED.

An application for the admission of Mr. Yew Kok Leong, alias Mr. Leong Yew Kow, LL.D., B.Sc., to practise as a barrister of the Supreme Court was made yesterday by the Attorney General (Sir Joseph Kemp, K.C., C.B.E.) before the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan.

The Attorney General said that Mr. Leong Yew Kok was called to the Bar by the Honourable Society of the Inner Temple on January 26, 1921. Mr. Leong was then admitted and enrolled by the Supreme Court of the Federated Malay States on October 31, 1921, where he had been in practice since that date.

In granting the admission and enrolment, his Lordship wished Mr. Leong every success in his profession.

SAMPAN WOMAN'S VISIT TO STONECUTTERS'.

HAVING A LOOK AT THE RIFLE RANGE.

The miltary authorities at Stonecuttors had a strange visitor on the island yesterday in a Chinese woman who kept on wandering around the rifle range. Water police officers went to investigate after receiving a report by telephone.

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OPIUM HIDDEN IN A WINDOW.

400 TAELS FOUND IN HOLLOW PANELS.

WOMAN CHARGED IN COURT.

At a raid carried out by Revenue Officers on 65, Pokfulam Road, on Sunday, where a quantity of illicit opium was found, a Chinese woman was alleged to have admitted that she was the principal tenant of the premises. A denial of this statement was made to Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday when the woman was charged with possession of the drug. Mr. Horace Lo defended the woman.

Revenue Officer Grimmitt said that altogether 410 taels of prepared non Government opium, worth $4,020, were found at the premises in question. Two packets, each containing about 10 one-tael tins, were found in a corner near the verandah. Two sides of a recently renovated window frame in the rear cubicle were found to have hollow panels and when these were opened 400 taels of prepared opium were discovered. Revenue Officer Grimmitt added that it was then that defendant had claimed to be the principal tenant of the house. This was challenged by Mr. Lo.

His Worship suggested that the landlord of 65, Pokfulam Road, should be called to give evidence as to who was the principal tenant of the house. The case was accordingly adjourned until 10.30 to-morrow morning.

KOWLOON TRAFFIC CASES.

SOLICITOR COMPLAINS OF A SUMMONS.

Mr. J. M. Remedios appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon on behalf of Mr. C. H. Basto, of Messrs. Little Adams & Wood, who was summoned for wrongfully parking his car in Salisbury Road. Sergeant Clarke was responsible for the summons.

Mr. Remedios in pleading not guilty, said that Mr. Basto was not driving the car at the time of the alleged offence. The driver who had been employed by him at that time had since disappeared. It appears that the driver's license had been cancelled by the police. Mr. Remedios remarked that the Traffic Department were aware before the summons was issued that the particular vehicle was not driven by Mr. Basto but they had not taken this into consideration, before troubling his client who was a very busy man. It was a very unpleasant thing for Mr. Basto to appear in answer to a summons which for something for which he was not responsible.

Sergeant Clarke said that he did not know who owned the car or who the driver was. He saw the car parked in Salisbury Road opposite the Godown Company and it was left for a considerable time. He instructed the Indian constable on point duty to take the license of the driver, and get a description of the driver—which, incidentally, tallied with that of Mr. Basto.

Mr. Basto replied that the Hong Kong A.A. watchman had been questioned and had informed the police that the driver was a Chinese, and therefore they knew quite well that it was not he. Furthermore, the police knew that the driver had absconded.

His Worship remarked that he did not think it a very great hardship for an owner to come and given evidence in a case which concerned his car. It was, in fact, a public duty.

Mr. Remedios agreed, but remarked that Mr. Basto should have been asked to come and explain the matter, and not have been summoned and named as the defendant. He suggested that his Worship warn traffic officers to be more certain of their facts before issuing a summons.

The summons was dismissed, and an apology made to Mr. Basto for the trouble caused him.

Speedy Lorry.

A lorry driver was fined $20 for speeding along Prince Edward Road at 28 m.p.h. His speed limit was only 12 miles per hour.

They discovered the woman still roaming about and were able to ascertain from her that she was Leong Ngan, 57 years old, who had been living in a sampan plying for hire it the harbour. She was brought to the station and it was found necessary to send her to the Mental Hospital. The doctor in charge certified her to be insane.

ATTEMPTED ARSON.

CHINESE YOUTH ARRESTED.

FIVE CASES REPORTED.

In connection with the attempted arson at various addresses in Hong Kong and Kowloon, reported in our columns yesterday, the Police authorities have detained a Chinese youth who is believed to be implicated in some way.

Five different outbreaks of fire were reported over the week-end—at No. 30 Stanley Street, No. 50 D'Aguilar Street, No. 179 Reclamation Street, No. 286 Shanghai Street and No. 4 Portland Street. In every case the fire was discovered before any great damage was done.

The Police set a close watch in various districts, and eventually a Chinese detective made an arrest in Yaumati. He saw a youth moving about suspiciously in the dark and stopped him. His hands and clothing reeked with kerosene and in his pocket was found a piece of paper twisted into a spill. He was taken to Yaumati Police Station, where he was identified as a youth, who had been seen earlier in the evening, near the address in Stanley Street, where fire had broken out.

It was alleged that he had drawn the attention of the Police to this fire, and had brought to them a small cigarette tin filled with kerosene which he said he had picked up at the bottom of the stair case.

The origin of the fires may be only thoughtless mischief on the part of this boy, but it is suggested that he may have been under the influence of older people who incited him to arson for some political reason.

KOWLOON FLATS BURGLED.

THREE ROBBERIES IN A NIGHT.

Three European residences in Wing Lok Buildings, Nathan Road, were burgled by, apparently, one person during Sunday-Monday night. He secured over $200 and a number of valuables.

Lieut. P. W. Humphreys, R.N., of 8, Wing Lok Buildings, top floor, reported that between 2 and 7 a.m. a person entered his bed room by an open window, and stole from the dressing table a lady's leather purse, containing $8 in money and also $90 in bank notes and $10 in silver.

Mrs. W. W. Hirst reports that her house at 6, Wing Lok Building, was entered at about 4.45 a.m. She found a thief in the act of escaping through the bathroom window.

On investigating, Mrs. Hirst found that the thief had taken 60 cents in money and a bunch of keys.

Mrs. Schaer, of 1, Wing Lok Building, found that a pair of trousers had been stolen containing peso notes and a white metal watch and chain. The total value was given as $86.

COUNTERFEIT COINS.

OLD WOMAN AND YOUTH SENT TO PRISON.

An old woman and a youth were before Mr. R. E. Lindsell yesterday on charges of being found to be in possession of counterfeit coins. They were searched and arrested at Connaught Road West by a Chinese constable over the week-end.

When pressed for a reason as to how they came into possession of over $10 worth of false 10 cent pieces, the youth declared that he was hired by the old woman to carry them. His Worship said such a thing was unheard of whereupon defendant changed his story and said he was engaged to carry a basket but a purse containing money was handed to him instead.

The old woman told the magistrate that she picked up a packet of money on the road but did not know that the coins were counterfeit. She remarked that she would never again do such a thing. She handed the coins to the first defendant but could not explain the reason for doing so.

Mr. Lindsell disbelieved both defendants and imposed sentences of four months and two months' hard labour on the youth and old woman respectively.

POMPEII AND HERCULANEUM.

STORY OF A VOLCANIC TRAGEDY.

PROF. BROWN'S LECTURE AT THE UNIVERSITY.

Professor W. Brown gave a most interesting lecture to the Education Society of the University last night on "Pompeii the resurrected city." He began with a description of the nature of volcanoes and their action. A volcanic eruption was, he said, one of the most dramatic and inspiring of nature's demonstrations. Volcanoes offered the most direct evidence that the centre of the earth was hot, but contrary to popular belief the centre of the earth was not fluid. Thirty or forty miles down the temperature was high enough to melt any rocks, but they were prevented from liquifying by the pressure above them. If the earth's crust was cracked the crack ran down and the pressure over a certain spot was removed. The rocks then melted and boiled up and the result was a volcano. The lecturer explained how volcanic disturbances affected the level of the sea-bed and said that the Pacific, the youngest of the oceans, which was still in process of formation, had a complete ring of volcanoes round it.

Two Sorts of Volcanoes.

There were two sorts of volcanoes; those which were open and alive and those which were choked and closed or "extinct" but suddenly blew up like a bursting boiler. Until 78 A.D. there was no record of Vesuvius having erupted and the people did not know it was a volcano. But on August 24 of that year, owing to the explosive force of immense quantities of steam generated in the earth below the mountain, there was a violent explosion—and the accumulation of cinders and rock which had choked the funnel of Vesurius were blown out and high up into the sky. The steam, as it was driven up into the air with the dust and powdered fragments from the mouth of the volcano, condensed into rain, which in falling carried with it the dust which fell on Herculaneum in the form of mud, subsequently hardening into a sort of concrete and completely sealing up the city. Pompeii was buried under many feet of dust, which though it had hardened with time had proved comparatively easy to excavate.

It was at 1 p.m. on August 24, 79 A.D., that the trouble at Pompeii began. Pliny the elder, who was in charge of the Roman squadron at anchor in the Bay, went to investigate the strange phenomena of the eruption, and while ashore was overcome by the poisonous gases let loose, and killed. It was his nephew's letter, embodied by Tacitus in his history which gave us so detailed an account of the disaster.

Pompeii of To-day.

A large number of slides were thrown on the screen showing Pompeii as it appears to-day—some 20 feet of mud having been removed. Pictures were shown of the straight paved roads with their footpaths and street fountains, of the arches, amphitheatres, theatres and forum. Of particular interest were the delightful Roman villas, some partially restored, and the pictures of modern conceptions of what the completed building must have been like.

Professor Brown's lucid explanations made the fragments of the old pleasure city come to life, so that his audience could see, in imagination, the life of the place. There were also pictures of the ordinary articles of domestic use, showing the fineness of workmanship and the ingenuity of these classical craftsmen.

In conclusion Professor Brown remarked on the discoveries at Herculaneum, which were expected to be even more wonderful than those at Pompeii. Work there had only just begun, but in ten years time they would probably hear a much better lecture on Herculaneum than he had been able to give on Pompeii.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of THE HONG KONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company (Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong), on SATURDAY, the 5th Day of APRIL, 1930, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the Year ended 31st December, 1929, and re-electing a Director and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED From SATURDAY, the 22nd MARCH, 1930, until SATURDAY, the 5th APRIL, 1930, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
F. C. BARRY,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th Mar., 1930. [9185

ROYAL HONG KONG YACHT CLUB.

"TREVESSA TROPHY."

THE THIRTEENTH BI-ANNUAL RACE for SHIP'S LIFEBOATS will be Sailed on WEDNESDAY, the 19th MARCH, Starting at 4 P.M.

Each Ship may enter Any Number of Boats.

COURSE:—Start from Channel Rocks, thence to Kowloon Rock (P), Mark off Yacht Club (S), Cust Rock Mark (P), Finish at the Yacht Club a cross the Line from West to East

Competing Boats should be in Position at the Starting Line by 3.30 P.M.

A launch will leave Queen's Statue Pier at 3 P.M. for the convenience of Members and the General Public.

Ships proposing to enter Boats are requested to Notify the HON. SECRETARY, Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, Not Later Than NOON, on the 19th MARCH,

R. J. VERNALL,
Hon. Secretary,
Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club,
Hong Kong, 17th Feb., 1930. 9040

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (Weather Permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 22ND MARCH, 1930, Commencing at 2 P.M.

The First Bell will be Rung at 1.30 P.M.

MEMBER'S ENCLOSURE.

Members are notified that they and their Ladies must wear their Badges prominently displayed.

No one without a Badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting Non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at $5.00 for Gentlemen and $2.00 for Ladies, are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for payment of all Chits, &c.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will not be on sale at the Race Course.

Members can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, Badges (limited to Two) for the Free Admission to the Member's Enclosure of Wives, Lady relatives and Friends. Names must be stated when applying.

On no pretext will Children be permitted in their Enclosure during the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The Price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is $1.00 for all Persons including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac Men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the Precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

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INTIMATIONS.

THE NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN regrets to announce that owing to the fact that the S.S. "COLUMBUS" has been chartered for this World Cruise by the Raymond & Whitcomb Company of Boston, no permits for boarding or inspection can be issued.

Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen,
Agents: MELCHERS & CO.
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HONG KONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of HONG KONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED, will be held at the Office of Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 18th Day of MARCH, 1930, at 12 O'Clock NOON, to transact the Ordinary Business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED From TUESDAY, the 4th to TUESDAY, the 18th MARCH, 1930, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 24th Feb., 1930. [9067

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 41st ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. Grosier's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY the 19th Day of MARCH, 1930, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1929.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 8th MARCH, 1930, to WEDNESDAY, 19th MARCH, 1930, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hong Kong, 20th Feb., 1930. [9056

NOTICE.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held in the Company's Board Room, 2nd Floor, Alexandra Building, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, 19th MARCH, 1930, at 2.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the Year ended December 31st, 1929; electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED From MONDAY, 10th MARCH, 1930, until WEDNESDAY, 19th MARCH, 1930, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
D. L. KING,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 8th March, 1930. [9127

"The glass is still low, but it is rising":—

so says Sir H. H. FOX in his report to Sept. 1929 of the British trade barometer in China in

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS IN CHINA.

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Our merchants are beginning to realise that in the days that are coming they will have to rely not so much on treaties and conventions and the direct intervention of the home Government in the protection of their interests, as on being able to secure the good will of the Chinese people, and in finding out exactly what the Chinese want and then convincing them that Great Britain is THE place where they can get it. This will require a more intimate knowledge of the Chinese and their ways of life and thought than, speaking generally, business men in China at present possess, and this can only be acquired by learning to speak the Chinese language sufficiently well for ordinary social and business dealings, and visiting the principal trading centres and there establishing social and business relations with Chinese Officials and Merchants. British business can be lost if no representative of a British firm is on the spot to make offers for it.

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SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE, HONG KONG.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the SOCIETY will be held in the BOARD ROOM of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce on FRIDAY, 21st MARCH, 1930, at 5.30 P.M.

For the following purposes:—

(a) To receive the Report of the Committee and Statement of Accounts for the past year.
(b) To elect the Officers and Committee for the ensuing year.
(c) To consider the manner in which St. George's Day shall be celebrated.
(d) To transact any other business of which due Notice has been given.

S. T. BUTLIN,
Hon. Secretary.
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THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTY-FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the Undersigned on WEDNESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1930, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended the 31st December, 1929.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED From the 12th to the 26th MARCH, 1930, Both Days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers,
The Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hong Kong, 5th Mar., 1930. [9106

THE BANK OF CANTON, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the NINETEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, No. 6, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1930, at 2.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1929.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED From the 10th MARCH, 1930, To the 26th MARCH, 1930 (Both Days inclusive), during which Period No Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board,
LOOK POONG SHAN,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 10th Mar., 1930. [9143

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 4 p.m., stated.

The anticyclone is now situated over the Eastern Sea, the Loochoos and S. Japan. Moderate monsoon will continue over the N. China Sea.

Local Forecast:—E. winds; moderate; cloudy generally; some mist or fog.

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The Daily Press.

Hong Kong, March 18, 1930.

THE BOGEY OF "SECURITY."

The plain man feels completely bewildered by the fragments of cable news from London regarding the progress—as he earnestly hopes it is—of the Five-Power Conference to reduce naval armaments. As Mr. J. L. Garvin recently expressed the situation, when sixty nations have sworn solemnly and absolutely never to go to war, why are some of them talking as though most of them meant to break their oaths? Organisation for war has become more elaborate and deadly; there is more killing-power afoot and afloat and awing—not to speak of the chemical laboratories than history ever saw—until we have come to this, that even the mass-murder of women and children by air attack is a cool part of the programmes, instead of filling the souls of all decent people with insuperable horror. Comparing the vows with the weapons, what is the reason for this gigantic and disreputable paradox? The question is answered in one word—"security," and arguments on this issue revolve for ever in circles that can never be squared. Last week-end the British and French delegates met at the Prime Minister's country house for "momentous conversations" on the result of which the fate of the Five-Power conference is said to depend. And why? Simply because France refuses to reduce her naval demands unless yet another "security pact" is drawn up. But what is "security"? It is a metaphysical thing depending not upon any factor that can be brought to objective examination, but this or that people's state of nerves, mind and imagination. If an alarm-complex is predominant in the politics of any people, that nation might pile-up armaments and darken the sky and extend military alliances and still not "feel" safe against contingencies which nations with a different kind of temperament and judgment might think extremely improbable.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found a statement by Admiral Kato in defence of Japan's demand for 70 per cent. of the strength of the American Navy in auxiliary craft. It is "our minimum need for defence. All our calculations are based on purely defensive strategy. In other words, we must have naval strength sufficient to repel the strongest fleet in the world if it should arrive with hostile intent on this side of the Pacific." A sound enough argument, no doubt, from a sailor charged with the defence of his country by sea, and who "must foresee in theory the possibility of the arrival of America's fleet in our waters." But must he foresee such an event? Let us quote Mr. Garvin once more:—"Anglo-American Parity means no shadow of a threat to the third maritime Power. This working-class island does not think of going to war with another industrious island ten thousand miles away. The United States will not think of such a war unless Japan violates the Pact for purposes of aggrandisement in China. She is no more mad than we are. She does not dream of it. She knows that it would cause a mighty Coalition well able to organise against her the Chinese people themselves. Japan's position for defence is tremendously formidable, but not for aggression. She never will set the example of breaking the Pact, and her fundamental political interest more than ever is to maintain an enduring peace with both America and Britain." Then why need Admiral Kato be compelled to take into consideration the possibility of an American fleet arriving with hostile intent on this side of the Pacific?

Some weeks ago the suggestion was made in an American paper that Japan's demand for a 70 per cent. ratio was an answer to the "threat" to her security in the existence of an American naval base in the Philippines. It was hinted that if the islands were neutralised, Japan might change her attitude on the ratio question. Last month this idea was elaborated by the *New York World*. The journal said the United States wants a fleet of large cruisers in order to defend the Philippines, Japan wants the same type of vessel in order to meet the supposed American threat, and the Australians are alarmed by the Japanese programme. The *World* said the United States "has a naval policy which increases the tension in the East, based upon the half-hearted and wholly inadequate defence of the Philippines against a theoretical Japanese attack." It suggested that America should "come out frankly, renounce the obligation to defend the Philippines, and ask the Japanese, French, and British to join us in guaranteeing the permanent disarmament and neutrality of the Philippines." The *World* believed such a development "for the United States would put an end to perhaps the strongest of all the big navy arguments, and release the navy from its present bondage to the dubious dogma of big cruisers." It saw similar advantages in this plan for Japan and Australia, and believed it "would make much easier the completion of an Anglo-American agreement."

This argument was semi-officially answered by a Tokyo newspaper, which said Japan had nothing to say on the matter. The naval bases in the Philippines and at Singapore were under the jurisdiction of friendly Powers, whose concern alone it is what they will do with them. Japan, in considering her problems of defence, naturally took into consideration the strategic positions of other naval Powers, but the time to consider any changes in such positions is when they become an accomplished fact. Meanwhile, Japan must proceed to make plans designed to guarantee her "security." So must France, and Italy, and all the other nations which have solemnly undertaken never to resort to war. All this amazing anxiety about "security" assumes that some nations intend to break their pledges and make war. Which are the nations who have pledged themselves never to seek a solution of international disputes other than by pacific means, but who really intend to break their pledge the moment a favourable opportunity presents itself for belligerent action. The plain man is weary of all this talk about eight-inch guns and global tonnage and ratios. He wants to know why such discussions are necessary in view of the fact that "security" against attack is supposed to have been already guaranteed by an agreement signed by sixty nations. What other safeguard is required if those sixty signatures are sincere? If they are not—if the Kellogg Pact is regarded by some signatories as binding only so long as its provisions are not brought into active operation—then it is much better to tear it up and frankly go back to the bad old days of armed anxiety.

News and Views.

Two cases of typhoid and one of small-pox were reported during the week-end.

H.M.S. Petersfield, flying the flag of Commander-in-Chief, China Station, has left Hong Kong yesterday for Swatow and the North.

The annual sports of St. Paul's College will take place at the South China ground, Caroline Hill, on Thursday, March 20, commencing at 2 p.m. and finishing at about 5.30 p.m.

A Chinese with previous convictions was sentenced yesterday to two months' hard labour by Mr. Whyte-Smith at Kowloon Magistracy for the theft of two iron rods from a contractor at Kowloon Tong.

The ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd. will be held at the registered office of the company—Exchange Building—on Saturday, April 5, at 11.30 a.m.

While riding on horse-back with several other ladies in the northern outskirts of Canton on Sunday, Madame Chen Tsai Tong (Miss Mok Sau Ying) was thrown and sustained minor injuries. She was taken at once to hospital.

Announcement has been made of the forthcoming marriage between Mr. Harold Featherstonehaugh Collier and Miss Frances Dorothea Willis, both missionaries at Yeung Kwong, Kwangtung Province, China. The wedding will take place in Hong Kong.

The case against a Chinese man and woman who were charged before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday with attempting to sell two Chinese boys was remanded until to-day owing to the absence of Mr. L. R. Andrewes, Assistant Crown Solicitor, who was to have prosecuted.

Riding his motor-cycle on Sunday afternoon, Revenue Officer Merriman knocked down a Chinese woman in Queen's Road West. The woman died in hospital four hours after admission. R. O. Merriman was also injured in the face and had to enter hospital.

A. B. Bruin, of H.M.S. Suffolk, fell from the second floor of the Seamen's Institute in the early hours of yesterday morning and was removed to hospital for treatment. It was ascertained on enquiries made in the afternoon that he was still in an unconscious condition.

Searching parties, following guidance given by aeroplanes, last week found the wreckage of the Western Air Liner in San Bernardino, California, which was lost in fog the previous week. Bodies of the three occupants were in the broken fragments of the ship, which apparently had hit a mountain peak.

At the Crown Land Office yesterday New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1327, situated at Aplin Street, Shamshuipo, was sold to Messrs. Au Yeung Pak Chan and Kong Wong at the upset price of $8,575. The land has an area of about 8,575 sq. feet and its annual rental is $80. Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2319 which was to have been sold at the same time was withdrawn.

At the Peninsula Hotel on Saturday a demonstration of the tango was given by Mr. Albert Barnett and Miss Nora Chilo, two well-known London dancers who are making a world-tour. During their stay in the Colony it is probable that public demonstrations of the "Trebla," an original dance, and other better-known dances will be given.

According to a Canton paper a merchant bought some clams from a fisherman, and in the largest of them was found an extraordinarily fine pearl. Besides the value of the pearl, its discovery was considered an extremely good omen. To gain the maximum of "good joss," however, it was necessary to place the clam in a box and bury it in the garden.

Another indication of the increased cost of living is seen in the announcement of the Shanghai Gas Co., Ltd. that subsequent to the meter readings taken this month the price of gas for cooking, heating and lighting will be $2.35 per 1,000 cubic feet; for Chinese cookers, $2.45 per 1,000 cubic feet; for power and industrial purposes $2.45 per 1,000, with discounts. This is necessitated by advances in the cost of labour, coal, materials and the unfortunate state of exchange.

Health or Modesty?

That very enterprising department of the Canton Government, the Bureau of Social Reform, has issued an order forbidding young ladies to follow the ancient custom of breast binding. The evils of the habit are pointed out, and it is declared to be worse than foot binding. But Chinese ladies consider that questions of "decency and modesty," are involved, and as a Chinese paper remarks "it is very doubtful whether the ban will do any good.

Oil—and Oil.

Although it is quite true that the Standard Oil Company of New York and the Vacuum Oil Company have merged, nevertheless the lubricating oils sold by these two companies are not by any means, identical, and never will be. Gargoyle brands are made by the Vacuum Oil Company, and should not be confused with brands sold by the Standard Oil Company of New York, which are entirely different. The two companies will be managed by the General Petroleum Corporation, but all Vacuum Oil Company business will continue unaltered under the present organization and personnel, and all Gargoyle brands will continue to be manufactured by the Vacuum Oil Company exactly as hitherto.

My Lords and the Bakers!

Official notices, particularly those emanating from My Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, are generally of a severe and restrained nature, commensurate with the lofty station, great powers and wide responsibilities of the authors of such utterances. There is, however, quite a personal note in a recent list which followed an accident in one of those useful, but humble, apartments of H.M. Ships and Store establishments—a bakery. The memorandum which is headed "Dough Mixing Machine—Cautionary Notice," reads as follows:—An accident recently occurred to the operator of a dough mixing machine when he attempted to remove dough when the machine was working in reverse. There is apparently a tendency for bakery staffs to circumvent safety arrangements, ignoring the fact that such arrangements are designed for their own benefit. Attention is directed to pages 123-4 the "Handbook of Victualling Stores" which provides that the danger of attempting to handle dough in mixers and kneaders whilst the knives are in motion is to be specially brought to notice in all establishments and ships with bakeries, and that the practice is to be strictly prohibited. Notices to this effect are to be prominently post up in all bakeries.

The whaler Kosmos, which is on her way to Wellington, New Zealand, reports a world's record catch to the value £300,000.

The Orient Express was last week derailed between Stirfaka and Llanokladi in Greece. Five passengers were seriously injured.

Lieut. Alfred Williams, the U.S. Navy's crack flyer, faced with a three-year tour on duty that will prevent him from participating in the Schneider Cup contest in 1931, has resigned from the Navy.

John E. Vedrenne, famous for his share in the Vedrenne-Barker management of the Court Theatre early in the century, has died in London, at the age of sixty-two, a few hours after seeing the St. James's play "Michael and Mary." He felt ill while sitting in a box, and left the theatre. The Court season which Vedrenne and Granville Barker ran put Bernard Shaw on the London map, established Galsworthy, whose play, "The Silver Box," made his dramatic fame, and made possible the production of many provocative and inspiring plays, which were all splendidly acted. Vedrenne, who was a business manager, was a good judge of a play and a good judge of an actor. He discovered several young actresses like Edna Best, and these he would sign on for a period of years and then let them out to other managers. His beautiful wife, Phyllis Blair, died a few years ago, and he then became a rather lonely man.

Mr. Pepys in Hong Kong.

This morning to the Suffolk, a frigate of which Stewart Goss be chirurgeon in chief, with whom I talk a space of my play, and how it doth go. And we drink a glass of the finest sherrys sack that ever I taste, which I learn be called Bristol Cream. And I am minded to buy me some when the dollar do go up. And mighty merry we all waxed, for the officers all gather at seven strokes of the ship's bell, at a letter he showed us, welcoming him as a new arrival to the Colony. But Lord, the man has been here these twelve months and more. This firm doth seek to expedite his future journeyings and mighty civil too! But I do think the Captain of his frigate might have a word to say on this. Thence, though it irked me to leave the Bristol Cream, to see an old line of battle-ship with a coverture of wood above such as I have not seen since I was a boy at Plymouth. And they tell me she is named the Tamar, and acts as Navy depot for the port. But who the Dodo may be I know not. So to the Club where much discourse of my play with Mr. Hannibal who do give so much pains to his part I doubt not he will be mighty fine therein. And so to Anderson's where I do book my seats for every night, and find though many are taken, there are yet a plenty left. But it being now five o'clock, I home by way of the Peak Club, where I drink a glass. My wife, poor wretch, mighty cross that I do not return before, but Lord! a man must meet his fellowes sometime. After supper we played at cartes, and so to bed.

Looking Back 25 Years.

Some of the Volunteers are still complaining about Tai Hang Range. They are thinking what a tedious climb it will be during Hong Kong's summer. The new Volunteer Rifle Club will be handicapped until this matter is settled. At present entries do not appear to be coming in as fast as they ought to. A second meeting will be held in connection with this matter on Monday week. It has been privately suggested that the volunteers would be willing to contribute to the cost of launches to take them to Stonecutter's Range, or if they were allowed days at King's Park it would be better still. There appears, however, to be an unconquerable prejudice against Tai Hang, notwithstanding Major Pritchard's argument.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, March 18, 1905.

Looking Back 50 Years.

Yesterday, being the "17th of Ould Ireland," St. Patrick's Day, was observed by Irishmen as a day of festivity. Shortly after midnight the band of the 27th Inniskillings commenced to parade in front of the different barracks, playing favourite Irish airs, and the day was kept by the Regiment almost as a holiday, the duties being weakened as much as possible, and games were indulged in on the parade-ground. A large number of the men also attended a voluntary parade at nine o'clock for divine service at the Roman Catholic Cathedral. In the evening a soiree was held in Patrick's Hall. His Excellency the Governor was present during the earlier part of the proceedings, and there were also present the Right Rev. Bishop Raimondi, Deputy Inspector-General Breen, R.N. Mr. Justice Francis, the Very Rev. G. Burghignoli, Mr. & Mrs. J. B. Fleming, Rev. B. Vigano, with a large number of soldiers and their wives and a few civilians. The proceedings were marked by the geniality and fun characteristic of Irishmen, and a pleasant evening was spent.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, March 18, 1880.

NAVAL CONFERENCE

MOMENTOUS WEEK-END CONVERSATIONS.

M. TARDIEU CONFIDENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 16.

Momentous conversations between the British and French delegations, upon which the fate of the Naval Conference is considered to depend, in view of France's refusal to reduce her naval demands except in return for another security pact, were held at Chequers to-day, and lasted four hours.

French Communique.

A French communique on the meeting merely says that the delegations "endeavoured to find a suitable means of ensuring the success of the negotiations." M. Tardieu and M. Briand, however, returned to London smiling.

M. Tardieu, in a statement declared: "I am convinced that we shall come to a satisfactory result," and remarked: "We consider the results to be obtained important enough to exclude any unwise haste." He announced that he was leaving for Paris.

A More Hopeful Feeling.

LONDON, March 17.

On his departure for Paris, after conferring with Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and Mr. Stimson separately, M. Tardieu left behind a more hopeful feeling in conference circles though up to now the Franco-Italian deadlock has not relaxed.

It is understood that the conference is considering a scheme whereby France will consent to keep a limited specified number of ships in the Mediterranean, while Britain, through her command of the Straits of Gibraltar should act as guarantor.

PRAYERS FOR RUSSIAN CHRISTIANS.

SERVICES INTERRUPTED IN BRITAIN.

[THROUH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 16.

Intercession for persecuted Christians in Russia was made in churches and chapels throughout England and Wales to-day, except in Roman Catholic churches, (Wednesday having been fixed for intercessory prayers in the Roman Catholic Church), and parade services (in view of the Government's ban).

Interruptions, on the ground that the services were tantamount to anti-Soviet propaganda occurred in some churches and chapels.

At a meeting in London of the Jewish Board of Deputies, a representative body of British Jewry passed a resolution deploring the anti-religious policy of the Soviet, which was "threatening Russian Judaism with extinction."

Anti-God Carnival.

RIGA, March 16.

A special two-months' anti-Easter campaign began throughout Soviet Russia yesterday, and includes the usual anti-religious plays, carnivals, buffoonery, prize competitions, excursions and lectures to members of the anti-God Society.

"Red" Demonstration in New York.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, March 17.

While policemen armed with batons and revolvers guarded them against possible anarchist attacks, thousands of Christians and Jews joined in prayers on behalf of their persecuted co-religionists in Russia yesterday.

A great assembly was led by Bishop Manning in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, and simultaneously 12,000 "Reds" gathered in the great drill shed at the Bronx Museum and, in a counter-demonstration, ridiculed all shades of religion.

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS.

COMMANDS CHANGE HANDS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 16.

The Admiralty announces that Admiral Sir Michael Hodges, Second Sea Lord, has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Atlantic Fleet in succession to Vice Admiral Sir Ernle Chatfield, who is appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean Fleet in succession to Admiral Sir Frederick Field.

Vice Admiral Sir Cyril Fuller will be Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty and Chief of Naval Personnel in succession to Sir Michael Hodges.

Vice Admiral V. H. Haggard will be Commander-in-Chief at American and West Indies stations, in succession to Vice Admiral Sir Cyril Fuller.

NEW THREAT BY GANDHI.

"BLOOD IS REQUIRED."

UNIVERSITY TRAINING FOR CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

AHMEDABAD, March 16.

The Nationalist University, founded by Mahatma Gandhi in his "Non-Co-operation" days, has closed down to enable the students to enlist as volunteers.

It has been decided to re-open with a new curriculum, namely, an intensive course of training for students and teachers in the principles and methods of civil disobedience.

Day of Silence.

Gandhi has arrived at the village of Boriavi, and announces that from to-morrow his party will rest on Mondays, which he will personally observe as a "day of silence," during which, there will be no speaking the whole day long.

It is understood that a civil disobedience campaign will be launched in different provinces when Gandhi gives the order or gets arrested.

British Injustice.

ANAND, Bombay Province, March 16.

Gandhi is camping here to-night and to-morrow.

Addressing villagers at Boriavi, Gandhi said:—"Money alone will not win the Swaraj. If money could win the Swaraj I would have secured it long ago. What is required, therefore is your blood."

He admitted that the Swaraj was unobtainable by volunteers disobeying the salt tax. He wanted thereby to draw the attention of India and the world to the other injustices on which British Imperialism was based.

DRAMATIC END OF SPANISH DICTATOR.

SUDDEN DEATH IN HOTEL.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, March 16.

General Primo de Rivera's death was dramatic. He had been suffering from diabetes, and expired from heart failure in the room of his hotel, while his son and daughters were attending Mass. The body is being embalmed for transport to Madrid.

Effect on Political Situation.

MADRID, March 16.

The death of General Primo de Rivera enormously simplifies the political situation, but is regarded as a blow to the Republican case against the King, as the strongest plank in the Republican platform so far has been the supposed complicity of King Alfonso in the *coup d'état* of 1923, which made the deceased Dictator. It was proposed to challenge upon that when the time came.

It is believed that General de Rivera was very embittered over the King's curt dismissal after seven years' service and the popular rejoicing at his downfall.

HATRY CASE SEQUEL.

GIALDINI'S ARREST UNEXPECTED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

ROME, March 16.

Gialdini and his lawyers are completely surprised at his arrest, which is the sequel to a statement by the British Embassy in Rome secretly handed over to the Italian Foreign Ministry, showing the part which was played by Gialdini in the Hatry affair.

"GENERAL STRIKE IN CASE OF WAR."

MR. BEN TURNER'S VIEW OF THE 1926 CRISIS.

"Another general strike would only be justified in case of war"—this is the opinion of Mr. Ben Turner, M.P., secretary of the Mines Department, who records his views and his romantic career in a frank and entertaining book, "About Myself," which was published last month.

He writes of the events of the 1926 strike, and adds:—

"I remember one *gentlemanly* employer putting the point to me as to whether there would be another general strike.

"My reply was that if war was called by any Government in our land the workpeople would be justified in having a general strike.

"That, I think, is the only time I would ever encourage another, and even that event could be avoided by sensible votes at the ballot-box."

When he was nine and a half years old, Mr. Turner began work as a weaver, helping at a hand loom. He earned, for his first full day, 1½d. for his mother, ½d. for himself, and a tea-cake.

MANILA RIOTS.

GANGSTERS ATTACK U.S. SAILORS.

FURTHER FILIPINO AGITATION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MANILA, March 16.

Two serious riots broke out in Manila to-day. The first occurred when 30 American sailors, indulging in a game of Sunday baseball, were attacked by 50 gangsters after a speech in Tagalog by a Filipino orator.

Seven sailors were injured, one seriously, while a Filipino policeman was clubbed by gangsters.

Chief Machinist Mate Edward Mecklemburg, of U.S.S. Parrott, was sent to hospital with three broken ribs.

The second riot occurred near the police station, when two sailors who were reported to be chasing two Filipinos were attacked by a mob. The police managed to prevent a general riot, and three Filipinos were put in gaol at Navalers, but were released after being questioned.

Extra police guards are patrolling the waterfront and have been instructed to ensure safe conducts to sailors returning to their ships. The naval authorities have instructed the sailors to avoid trouble. Severe punishment is threatened to any who attack Filipinos.

MINERS AND COAL BILL.

DRASTIC ACTION THREATENED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 16.

A further threat of drastic action by the coal miners in view of the threatened defeat of the Coal Bill in Parliament this week, was made by Mr. A. J. Cook, who says that miners throughout the coalfields are sending him strong resolutions and messages demanding a national conference and national action by the Miners' Federation.

Officials of the Federation and miners' Parliamentary representatives will meet Mr. William Graham and, if necessary, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, on Wednesday, to review the position and if the Bill is defeated or the Government unable to satisfy miners and officials, the Executive Federation will be summoned to consider the convening of a national conference to decide the best course of action.

PETROL SLUMP IN PENANG.

PRICES LOWEST IN HISTORY OF MALAYA.

Penang, March 10.—The petrol war has evidently reached Penang as there has been a decided drop in the price during the last few days. Still the price charged in Penang is higher than that charged in certain parts of the F.M.S.

From inquiries made in would appear that the present great fall in prices is not only due to the competition which has always existed but also to the excessive stocks held by all the dealers throughout the country. The present prices are said to be unremunerative with consequent loss to the petrol magnates.

The present prices are said to be the lowest ever touched in Malaya. One conversant with the subject, interviewed, said that the present prices are due to over production with which consumption has been unable to keep pace, with the result that large stocks had accumulated.

MAN-EATER KILLED.

HUMAN FOOT FOUND INSIDE A TIGER.

Patna.—The well-known and feared Chendipada man-eating tiger—which has killed many human beings and established a "reign of terror" in the Feudatory States bordering Angul, and in Angul itself,—has been shot by Mr. Wright-Neville, Superintendent of Police.

Mr. Wright-Neville was waiting for it at 7 o'clock in the morning near its last human kill. Man-eating tigers *do* not often return to a kill, but this one did and was dispatched with a single shot.

When the huge beast was opened, a gruesome sight horrified the spectators, for it contained a whole human foot. It also bore on its head a deep gash, inflicted by the axe of its latest victim.

The villagers showed their gratitude by almost smothering Mr. Wright Neville in garlands.

This officer was asked, about three years ago, to try to kill off the man-eating tigers and panthers in the Puri-district, and has now killed four man-eating panthers, besides five other tigers and 39 other panthers.—*Straits Times.*

JAPAN AND CHINA'S TARIFFS.

TEMPORARY AGREEMMENT REACHED.

RELINQUISHMENT OF SPECIAL DUTIES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, March 17.

A semi-official communique regarding the formal signing of the Sino-Japanese tariff agreement is expected to be announced shortly, marking the final attainment of one of the major diplomatic aims of the National Government.

The agreement marks a definite recognition by Japan of China's complete tariff autonomy and the enforcement in Dairen of a new tariff schedule, where hitherto the old rates have been collected, also Japan's relinquishment of special frontier duties (which were one-third lower than the Maritime Customs duties).

"As a temporary measure the transition agreement is accompanied by an arrangement of limited scope for a limited period providing that on a few articles of Chinese exports Japan agrees to reduce duties, while China agrees to maintain the present rates or at least not to increase them beyond a certain point on certain imports."

This temporary measure is considered the only practicable means for regularising Sino-Japanese relations on the basis of China's complete tariff autonomy, and does not mark any departure from the general policy of not negotiating agreements embodying mutual tariff concessions.

A FILM COMEDY IN BOSTON.

JANITORS AS CANNIBALS IN AFRICAN FILM.

[UNITED PRESS.]

Boston, March 9.—Boston rocked with laughter to-day at its latest sensation in the world of the drama.

Tremont Temple for weeks has been showing a motion picture called. "Aiko," billed as having been filmed in the African jungle by the intrepid world traveller and explorer Daniel Davenport, who has brought back with him a group of cannibals.

To-day one Firpo Jacko, who had thrilled the movie-going public with his fierce grimaces as one of these supposed cannibals, obtained an attachment upon the box-office receipts of G.$700 due him as wages.

He simultaneously made complaint, charging that the film was produced in the Bronx, New York, and asserting that Dr. Davenport had never been in Africa. According to Firpo Jacko, all the alleged cannibals were formerly janitors in Harlem.

These charges were supported by the cannibals' landlady, who indicated that her guests never showed indications of departing from a standard American diet and who added:—

"They are perfect gentlemen, and they go to church every Sunday!"

Dr. Davenport, filing an answer to the charges, declared that Jacko was employed temporarily to replace a "sick" and authentic cannibal. He asserted the film to be genuine.

MAN-EATING PANTHER KILLED.

INDIAN ARMY OFFICER'S NIGHT ADVENTURE.

Lieutenant Sidney Goodchild, formerly an architect in Holyhead, has killed a man-eating panther that was infesting the Indian villages of Mul Puthari and Sindewish.

The Indian Government, having learned that the panther had killed several persons, mostly children, offered a reward of five hundred rupees, and Lieutenant Goodchild, who is attached to the 4-16th Punjab Regiment, and was on leave, organised a big game-hunting expedition. Two days before his leave ended he heard that a boy had been killed. He hurried to the district and, rigging up a hut above the ground, waited until about two o'clock in the morning, when he saw the beast approach. Using his torch to take aim, he fired. The recoil from his rifle knocked the torch out of his hand, and the beast leaped at him, dislodging the wooden pole supporting the hut. Lieutenant Goodchild was almost thrown to the ground, but managed to cling to a branch with one hand, while with the other he whipped out his revolver and fired two shots. There was no further movement on the part of the panther, and the officer, not knowing whether the shots had taken effect, decided to remain aloft until daylight, when he found the animal lying a short distance away dead.

Lieutenant Goodchild has received the reward and the thanks of the Government for his bravery

IN THE NORTH.

BIG SHANSI TROOP MOVEMENTS.

MANCHURIA BACKS NANKING.

(*Wah Tsz Yat Pao.*)

PEPING, March 11.

There are on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway line four divisions of the Shansi troops and five divisions on the Peping-Hankow Railway. The total number of the Shansi troops exceeds 120,000.

The Kuominchun forces are massed at Loyang in Honan. Troops under Han Fu Chu and Shih Yu San are quartered along the Lunghai Railway.

Yen Hsi Shan has supplied the Kuominchun with large quantities of ammunition and foodstuffs. He has dispatched a delegate to Mukden to ask Chang Hsueh Liang to assist in the anti-Nanking campaign.

A Mukden report says that it was decided at a recent military conference that the Three Eastern Provinces (Manchuria) will remain loyal to the Central Government.

CHIANG NOT TO ATTACK TIENTSIN.

SHANSI DRIVE ON RAILWAYS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, March 17.

This morning Chiang Kai Shek declared that Yen Hsi Shan and Feng Yu Hsiang are preparing to launch a joint drive against the Government along the Peping-Hankow and Tientsin-Pukow Railways.

Chiang Kai Shek has denied the rumours that the Government is concentrating troops at Tehchow preparatory to an attack on Tientsin and Peping. He announced that when the rebels attack the Government troops, he would withdraw and remain on the defensive to prove that the Government does not want war, but desires peace.

MORE AEROPLANES FROM AMERICA.

(*Wah Tsz Yat Pao.*)

SHANGHAI, March 17.

Four more aeroplanes, purchased by the Aviation Department, have arrived here from America, and will be taken to Nanking soon.

SOVIET SOLDIERS IN MANCHULI.

REFUSE TO LEAVE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, March 17.

A message from Harbin states that a squad of 29 Soviet soldiers who invaded Manchuli on the 13th refuse to leave the border town on the pretext of guarding the C.E.R. local organisations.

The Chinese authorities have protested to the Soviet Consul and have instructed the border guards to drive away the Soviet invaders.

NEW JAPANESE MINISTER?

(*Wah Tsz Yat Pao.*)

SHANGHAI, March 17.

According to a message from Tokyo, the Japanese Government has decided to appoint the present Japanese Minister to the Netherlands as the Japanese Minister to China, in view of the opposition of the Chinese Government to the appointment of Mr. Obata.

MARSHAL LI TSAI HSIN.

CHEN MING SHU PETITIONS FOR HIS RELEASE.

General Chen Ming Shu has again telegraphed to Chiang Kai Shek asking him to release Li Tsai Hsin and allow him to "investigate industrial conditions in foreign countries." No reply has been received.

THE GERMANY-CHINA AIR ROUTE.

SOVIET REFUSES RIGHT-OF-WAY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MOSCOW, March 17.

With regard to the Sino-German air traffic agreement, it is semi-officially stated that the Soviet Government has not granted sanction for such a service *vid* Siberia.

[The recent Sino-German air traffic agreement provides for the foundation of a Sino-German company to establish a postal service between Germany and China, and later a passenger service. The company will have a capital of £300,000, of which the Lufthansa will contribute a third.]

KWANGSI CAMPAIGN

ANOTHER CANTONESE OFFENSIVE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, March 17.

Colonel Chen Chang Pe, the newly-appointed Chief Director of the punitive expedition to Southern Kwangtung, left here for Kochow yesterday, together with several detachments of soldiers and a number of gunboats, including the Hai Fu, Pei On and Kwang Kin. Aeroplanes will be sent later.

This expedition is a part of General Chen Tsai Tong's scheme to crush the Kwangsi-"Ironside" coalition. The insurgents have been driven from Pakhoi, but they still occupy Limchow, Lingshan and other commercial centres.

Communists Capture Lungchow.

PEPING, March 17.

Communist forces recently captured Lungchow in South Kwangsi. The town is still in the hands of the Communists, and anxiety is felt for the safety of twenty Chinese girls in a mission orphanage.

ART EXHIBITION TO CLOSE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

LONDON, March 16.

The Italian Art Exhibition, which, since it opened at Burlington House in January, has been visited by upwards of 400,000 people, will close on Thursday, and preparations are already being made for the return to Italy of 700 of the world's master-pieces which have been lent for exhibition by public galleries and private collectors.

The liner Leonardo da Vinvi, in which the pictures were brought to London, is due to leave on her return journey about the first week in April, with cargo valued at over £10,000,000.

WALTER SCOTT LETTERS.

GIFT TO EDINBURGH LIBRARY.

The private letter-books of Sir Walter Scott, which contain 6,000 letters from the foremost men and women of his time, are to be left to the nation by Mr. Hugh Walpole, the novelist. They are to be housed in the Advocates Library, Edinburgh.

This gift, which is the most interesting and important literary bequest Scotland has received for many years, recalls a romance of the sale room.

The letter-books, thirty-two in number, are those in which Sir Walter Scott bound all the most interesting letters he received over a period of nearly thirty years. They eluded the eyes of Scott's biographers, and were kept at Abbotsford for many years until just after the war, when they found their way into a London sale room.

In London Sale-room.

Mr. Hugh Walpole, who is an ardent collector of Scott first editions and manuscripts, happened to be present, but had faint hopes of securing such a prize, for it seemed certain that documents of such interest would go to an American millionaire. The bidding started at a remarkable low figure, and Mr. Walpole realised that, luckily for him, the American buyers were not present.

He immediately stepped in and secured the Scott letter-books at a price probably twenty or thirty times below their present value, which is said to be about £20,000.

SHAMROCK V.'S SKIPPER.

FIRST MATE ON LAST CHALLENGER.

Tollesbury is a little fishing and yachting village in Essex at the mouth of the Blackwater, and here was born and lives a man whose doings will presently be watched by all who love the sea. He is Capt. Ned Heard, and there is no better man in handling a yacht on the English side of the Atlantic. Next September will see if there is any more skilful on the other side also.

It is he who will skipper the Shamrock V. which Mr. C. Nicholson has designed, and is now completing at Gosport, for the series of races off Newport, U.S.A., for the America Cup, which the indomitable Sir Thomas Lipton will once again try to capture for England.

His Record.

"I was racing at eighteen in the Creole," he said. "At twenty-three I sailed as A.B. in Sir Thomas Lipton's Shamrock III—that was in 1903. In 1914 I went in Shamrock IV. as first mate, but no race came off owing to the war. In 1920 I was again first mate under Sir William Burton. We won two out of the five test races and lost the three others.

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AMERICAN SHIPS UNDER FIRE.

MORE TROUBLE ON UPPER YANGTSZE.

OFFICER WOUNDED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEPING, March 17.

Chinese soldiers got completely out of hand on the Upper Yangtsze three days ago. They heavily fired on two American steamers, on which there were American guards for protection purposes, 46 miles above Ichang.

The Chiping was assailed so furiously that it was hit over 300 times. The U.S. guard returned the fire with rifles and machine guns, and a number of Chinese soldiers were observed to fall.

The casualties were:—Lieutenant C. M. Winslow and five Chinese wounded aboard the Chiping.

The Iling was similarly attacked, and one Chinese aboard was killed.

INCOME TAX FOR CEYLON?

THE ONE TOPIC OF CONVERSATION.

NATIVE ENTHUSIASM ABATING.

Colombo, March 1st.—In clubs and offices, and in newspaper editorials, nothing is so widely discussed as the income tax proposals, the draft Bill embodying which was read yesterday for the first time in the Legislative Council. While the *Times of Ceylon* has, from the beginnings, made a firm stand against what it considers to be an unfair and ill-advised imposition, the morning papers, from being ardently in favour of the measure, have veered round almost to the opposite opinion. There was, at one time, an idea abroad that only the Europeans would suffer from the tax, but when it was pointed out that 16,000 out of the 20,000 future taxpayers would be Ceylonese, and when it became clear that the prospect of evading the tax was remote, on account of the "squeeze" principle of income tax assessments, popular opinion speedily executed a volte-face.

European Councillor's Views.

Mr. T. L. Villiers, the European Urban member in the Legislative Council, addressed a large gathering of his constituents and characterised Mr. Huxham as "an expert income tax collector and not an expert in the principles of taxation." He opposed income tax on the grounds that it would cripple industry, prove a set-back to land development and house-building, and that the revenue which it would provide would be a constant source of temptation to the local governments, spoon-fed by state revenue, to spend extravagantly.

Mr. Villiers, closed his speech by saying that he opposed the tax because it would be detrimental to the Ceylonese. His concluding sentence was made the subject of an ungrateful and sarcastic leader in a Ceylonese morning paper, which accused him of sheltering behind the Ceylonese to further his own community's ends.

An Inaudible Speech.

In proposing the First Reading of the Bill yesterday, Mr. Huxham spoke for over three hours, but was so inaudible that the official shorthand writers, and the Press, were obliged to rely on him to supply first a summary and then a full version of his speech.

Mr. Huxham claimed that his scheme was simple and workable, but acknowledged that he had made mistakes in presenting his subject, and that the standard rate of 10 per cent. was a great obstacle in the way of the acceptance of the measure. Actually, however, only 25 per cent. of the total number liable to pay tax would be asked to pay over two per cent. The present Government recognised that there was an element of double taxation in an income tax side by side with export duties and intended to recommend a reduction of the latter. They could not, however, in view of the impending change in the constitution, bind the future Government. The Second Reading of the Bill will take place on April 29.

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"This is the first time I have been in charge of the *challenger*," he added, modestly, "but I have been in charge of racing yachts before."

In the four seasons from 1924 to 1927, as skipper of Mr. F. G. Mitchell's Noresca, he won 116 prizes in 137 races, and in the two years 1928 and 1929 in the Astra he had captured six prizes out of eight events.

Captain Heard, however, is a reserved man. He understands his responsibilities. "I will do my best," he said quietly. "This is the fourth time I shall have been across, and if I do not get it now it will be bad luck."

Sports News

H.K.C.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

JAPANESE VICTORY.

T. Honda and Akiyama, the foremost Japanese pair, belongs the distinction of scoring the initial victory in the stand court for the current season, and in gaining that privilege yesterday, they gave a very creditable performance against their opponents, J. S. McEachran and G. W. Sewell, in the second round of the Open Doubles Championship of the Colony. The final scores were 6-1, 6-3, 6-2.

Many expected a close struggle, but the match had not gone far before the Japanese gave little doubt to those present that they would secure the issue. At times the losers matched the Japanese well. On those occasions, play became pretty slow, both pairs lobbing frequently, but the winners invariably turning the scales in their favour by asserting themselves after a few exchanges and by taking the aggressive would outplay the British pair. MacEachran's soft tactics proved to be of little avail, and although Sewell hit somewhat harder, their combination was often at fault. Honda, who produced good form, upset them repeatedly, and put in fine shots from time to time, with the result that MacEachran and Sewell did not at any stage, challenge their opponents' supremacy.

On their form yesterday, Honda and Akiyama bid fair to at least extend C. A. L. Rumjahn and J. A. Cassumbhoy whom they meet next.

The match yesterday completed all the second round ties, and thus the last eight positions of the event have been filled, and are as follows:—

1.—E. C. Fincher and E. F. Fincher.
2.—M. W. Lo and M. K. Lo.
3.—Kong Too Cheung and Ho Ka Lau.
4.—F. A. Redmond and A. L. Sullivan.
5.—T. Honda and T. Akiyama.
6.—C. A. L. Rumjahn and J. A. Cassumbhoy.
7.—S. A. Rumjahn and H. D. Rumjahn.
8.—Ng Sze Kwong and Ng Sze Cheung.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

Open Doubles.

T. Honda and T. Akiyama beat G. W. Sewell and J. S. MacEachran 6-1, 6-3, 6-2.

Club Championship.

A. L. Sullivan beat Nijhoff, 6-3, 6-3.

H. J. Armstrong beat Capt. Etherington, 6-3, 6-2.

T. J. Price beat O. E. C. Marton, 6-0, 6-2.

Handicap Singles "A."

H. Owen Hughes (owe 4/6) beat T. C. Monaghan (rec. 2/6), 6-3, 6-1.

Handicap Singles "B."

De Bruyn (rec. 4/6) beat Hinton (rec. 2/6), 7-5, 6-2.

Divett (owe 1/6) beat A. O. Johnson (owe 2/6), 6-3, 5-7, 6-2.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

Open Singles.

H. D. Rumjahn *v.* Luk Ding Cheung.

Open Doubles.

E. C. Fincher and E. F. Fincher *v.* M. K. Lo and M. W. Lo.

Club Championship.

A. N. Block *v.* F. A. Redmond.

Handicap Singles "B."

R. H. Wild (rec. 2/6) *v.* P. W. J. Planner (rec. 5/6).

HOCKEY.

TWO I.R.C. SUCCESSES.

The I.R.C. Hockey team met the H.M.S. Kent on Saturday at Causeway Bay at 4.30 p.m. and defeated them by 4 goals to one.

The I.R.C. hockey section met the Somerset Light Infantry hockey team on Sunday at Sookunpoo Valley ground at 4.30 p.m. and beat them by 5 goals to 2. In the first half the score was one all but in the second half the Somerset L.I. added one goal more while the I.R.C. netted 4 more goals. The game was very fast indeed.

INDIANS BEAT THE CLUB.

On the Marina ground yesterday, the H.K.S.R.A. beat the Hong Kong Hockey Club in a rather uninteresting game by three goals to *nil*.

The Club were two men short and had to call on two of the soldiers' reserves to make up their team. (*Continued at foot of next column*).

CRICKET NOTES.

KOWLOON FINISH SEASON IN GREAT STYLE.

[By "L. B. W."]

The surprise of the week-end was, of course, the defeat of the Club juniors at the hands of the Kowloon Cricket Club. It was indeed a good finish of a successful season for the Kowloonites, who have now completed their league programme. Through I would not say it was the main reason, I think one of the reasons why the Club lost was because they took things rather on the easy side. They did not turn out their full team, and for this they lost their unbeaten record. F. S. W. Smith played a great part in Kowloon's victory. After scoring seventy-odd runs in fine style, he finished the day by taking 6 wickets for 37 runs—an excellent all-round piece of work. He breaks a-lot, as far as I can remember, and as a bat he struck me as being rather of the stodgy type when I last saw him play. That, I must confess, was ages ago. George Lee also bowled very well. I remember the days when he was one of the mainstays of the now defunct Chinese Recreation Club team, and as a bat he too has been known to make runs.

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At the Police ground the home team drew with the University—each side scoring 78 runs. It was rather a pity the latter could not get the necessary run for victory after they had got the "Bobbies" out for such a small total. Their side is something like the I.R.C. combination—both have the material, but for some reason or other they just cannot get going. I see "Captain" Hiptoola again collected a big bag. Six wickets for 11 runs is good work, especially against the Police, who have quite a few decent bats in their number. For the Police, Alexander took four wickets at a little over six runs apiece. He has been doing consistently well during the past month. As regards B. G. Baker, who started the season in such fine style, he seems to have gone right off his form. It will be interesting to see how he fares against the Indians this Saturday, for he strikes me as being just the type of bowler—fast—to suit the Sookunpoo lads.

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The third league fixture was that between the Civil Service Cricket Club and the Craigengower C.C. As I expected, the former won easily. Paterson played an excellent innings for forty-odd runs. He is, I will dare say, one of the best all-rounders in the second division, and when it comes to the winners of the league against the Rest, I predict a place in the latter team for him. He is, by the way, a more than useful medium bowler. In the only friendly that was played, Recreio beat the Indians at Sookunpoo.

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Saturday's fixtures are as follow:—

League: I.R.C. *v.* Police.

Friendlies: R.E. & S. *v.* Electric R.C., C.S.C.C. *v.* H.K.C.C., and Recreio *v.* Kowloon Cricket Club.

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At the risk of being accused of rather optimistic tendencies, I rather expect the Indians to take full points from the Police. For one reason, they are playing at home, and that alone should be quite an advantage. As regards the friendly matches, they should all be close and interesting, and I imagine the Club-Civil Service game will turn out to be the best.

The positions of the teams, up-to-date, are:—

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
H.K.C.C.	9	8	0	1	24
Recreio	9	7	1	1	22
Kowloon C.C.	10	6	3	1	21
Civil Service	10	6	0	4	18
Police R.C.	8	5	2	1	17
Indian R.C.	7	3	1	3	10
Craigengower	10	3	1	6	10
R.E. and R.C.S.	10	3	1	6	10
R.A.S.C.	9	2	0	7	6
University	9	1	2	6	5
R.A.O.C.	9	0	1	8	1

Combining well, the Indians ran through to put in their first goal early on and added another shortly after. Although the Club left wing played a hard game, he had little support from the rest of the forwards with the result that several chances went a-begging. The whistle for change over went with the score unchanged.

Almost immediately after resumption, the Indians scored again but that proved their final effort for the Club pack livened up somewhat and put up a better game than at first. The ball was transferred from one half to the other in quick succession and towards the close some good play was seen. The final score was: H.K.S.R.A., 3; Club 0.

Hong Kong at Play.

SPORTS NOTES AND COMMENTS.

[By "BROADCASTER."]

The steeplechase meeting at Kwanti over the week-end was perhaps the best attended meeting to date, and there is no doubt racing enthusiasts are beginning to realise that there is as much fun in steeplechasing as in flat racing. There is lesser element of certainty—or a greater element of uncertainty—in this form of racing, and favourites do not usually romp home, with the result that punters generally "go easy" at Kwanti. The idea of running the pari-mutuel at $2 instead of $5 has proved to be a success, and no doubt in time the betting will be on as large a scale as at Happy Valley.

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I have referred to Fern Leaf in this column before. This pony won on Sunday for the first time since 1924. In 1923 he won the Aggregate Stakes of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, and I think also accounted for the Extra Meeting champions. That a pony with such a fine career should be racing with subs many years later is lamentable in a sense, especially since all his contemporaries in 1923 were the best that Hong Kong had to offer. The pony has been used as a hack for several seasons, and was taken out to race some three months ago, since when he has staged a surprising "come-back." He started favourite on Sunday—an experience which must be unique in the case of a pony who has emerged after six years' retirement.

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In Hong Kong the pari-mutuel will always prove more popular than the bookie because of the handsome dividends paid from time to time. On Sunday at Fanling a pony in a field of seven paid 48-1. How often will a bookie quote such odds on a starter in a field of seven? In the flat racing on March 8, one pony paid 10-1 and two others paid 17-1 and 18-1 respectively out of a card of nine races. Small wonder that the pari-mutuel in Hong Kong enjoys such wide popularity! I have heard many things said against the system, but none of the arguments will stand close examination, and moreover there is this great thing in its favour—you are paid your winnings on the spot.

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A feature of Saturday's football was that the four lowest teams in the League added to their number of points in the League table. The Somersets must have received a shock when they realized they had really gone down to Recreio. The chances of their coming up on top of the League are now remote, in view of this defeat following their drawn game with South China a fortnight ago.

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There must have been quite a good deal of speculation as to the result of the match between the Club and St. Joseph's College, especially because of the improvements in the Hong Kong Club team and the somewhat indifferent display of the Collegians since these two teams last met. On that occasion the College XI. won by an odd goal. Saturday's score of 1-1, resulting in a division of points, finds the teams in the same position in the League table as before, and while a drawn game might be the fairest result on the day's play both teams have missed a chance of improving their position in the League table.

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With a weaker team than usual th Police did exceedingly well in wresting a point from South China, their goalie, Clarke, once more coming to the rescue with some exceptionally clever work. The team has a knack of turning up at unexpected moments and their victory on Saturday prove this.

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The Navy team was given a walk-over on Saturday when they were due to meet Kowloon F.C., who were unable to field a team. The sailors had a narrow escape on March 12, when they defeated South China in the Shield Semi-Final by 3-1. The Chinese were leading all the way until the last minute, when the Navy equalised with a penalty. Extra time had to be played, and it was then that Navy got two more goals. They have now qualified to meet the Somersets in the final, which appears to be almost an Army versus Navy affair. I predict a win for the Navy XI. provided, of course, they take the field at full strength.

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The convincing manner in which Eastern F.C. defeated St. Joseph's College in the Junior League game augurs well for them in the Junior Shield final. A victory of 6-3 against the College team is no mean achievement, as the Saints' are quite well up in the table. The junior final will be worth going a long way to see.

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At the last Council Meeting of the Hong Kong Football Association the suggestion that the Junior and Senior Shield finals be played on separate grounds did not meet with approval. The point in favour (*Continued at foot of next column*).

SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING.

CLASSIFICATION AND HANDICAPS FOR SATURDAY.

Yesterday we printed the entries for the four non-handicap events for Saturday's races. Below are given the handicaps and classification in the remaining events. There are altogether ten races on the card:—

Mount Parker Handicap "A" Class: One Mile.

African Eve, 156 lbs.; San Francisco, 160; Piccallili, 163; Fifty Fifty, 146; The Goods, 147; King's Colour, 161; Carnival Eve, 167; Mixty Eve, 147; Marquis Hall, 145; Christmas Frolic, 143; Christmas Chimes, 142; Four Clubs, 142; The Tiger, 147; Lobster Bay, 142; Silver Queen, 140; Majestic Hall, 164; Chesapeake Bay, 163; Empress Hall, 142; Ma Kau Size, 155; Witty Stag, 140; Winsome Stag, 154; Windsor Stag, 153; Town Hall, 140; Blue Boy, 154; Chivalrous, 145; Fair Sport, 155; Our Prince, 140; Boxing Eve, 170; New Year's Eve, 155; Gay Caballero, 140.

N.B.—If the top weight does not accept, all weights to be raised by 5 lbs.

Mount Parker Handicap "B" Class: One Mile.

O-Moon, 170 lbs.; Imperial Hall, 167; Little Thunder, 170; Tarmacadam, 154; The Ape, 151; Monk, 151; Orlando, 161; Armony, 151; Christmas Belle, 161; Deception Bay, 161; Diana, 158; The Pheasant, 160; The Jamaica, 146; City Hall, 151; Noukhail, 155; Tonbridge, 160; Done Again, 148; Loch Fyne, 148; Huntington, 155; Shiny Pearl, 155; Campbell, 155; Blue Heaven, 158.

Mount Parker Handicap "C" Class: One Mile.

Mount Elburz, 160 lbs.; Sunning, 170; Thunderbolt, 166; Amusement Tax, 161; Zephyr, 167; Piccy, 161; Duke of Normandy II., 163; Martini Cocktail, 147; Duke of Milan, 155; Dark Eyes, 146; Billiards, 151; Inca, 151; Pumpkin, 151; Sunshine, 149; Grey Back, 153; What's Yours, 153; Snaefell, 155; Iron Blood, 147; Arabian Sea, 147; Delaware Bay, 167; Huachafo, 153; Peter Guerney, 155.

Mount Parker Handicap "D" Class: One Mile.

May, 160 lbs.; Movanagher, 162; Chicot, 163; Mountain Oak, 155; Gay Picador, 140; Jade, 140; Shanghai Beau, 158; Hong Kong Beau, 147; Pagoda, 150; Sonny Boy, 150; Catalan, 161; Blotto, 150; Sunloch, 165; Teuchit, 147; Baby Face, 155.

Tai Mo Shan Handicap "A" Class: 1¼ Miles.

Majestic Hall, 164 lbs.; Chesapeake Bay, 163; Ma Kau Siac, 155; King's Colour, 161; Fifty Fifty, 146; The Tiger, 147; Winsome Stag, 154; Windsor Stag, 153; Carnival Eve, 167; One Third, 148; Fair Sport, 155; Boxing Eve, 170; New Year's Eve, 155; Misty Eve, 147; African Eve, 153; The Goods, 147; Marquis Hall, 145; Chivalrous, 145; Christmas Frolic, 143.

N.B.—If the top weight does not accept, all weights to be raised by 5 lbs.

Tai Mo Shan Handicap "B" Class: 1¼ Miles.

Orlando, 161 lbs.; Lobster Bay, 172; Deception Bay, 161; O-Moon, 170; Little Thunder, 170; Huntington, 155; Imperial Hall, 167; Empress Hall, 172; Piccy, 140; Tonbridge, 160; The Ape, 151; Town Hall, 170; The Pheasant, 160; Tarmacadam, 154; Our Prince, 170; Pepper Corn, 168; City Hall, 151; Christmas Chimes, 172; Four Clubs, 172; Erin's Isle 154.

BALLOON CLUB FOR OXFORD.

DIRIGIBLE ASCENTS EVERY SUNDAY.

Oxford University Balloon Union is to be the title of a new club which Mr. Hugh Speaight and Mr. Giles Playfair are anxious to form.

It is their intention to buy a dirigible and make ascents every Sunday.

Mr. Playfair said that owing to the new university rule they would have to go twenty miles out of the city to make their ascents. "We can descend in the city," said Mr. Playfair, "but we cannot ascend. I have been up a number of times in London.

"The dirigible is like a primitive airship," he added. "It has a little machine which drives it, and when the wind is favourable it is like a yacht and sails before the wind."

Mr. Playfair, who is taking the part of Malcolm in the O.U.D.S. production of "Macbeth" at Oxford, said that if they could get enough members they would set up in opposition to the Oxford Air Squadron.

(*Continued at foot of next column*).

FOULS IN BOXING.

THE VIEWS OF PHIL SCOTT AND SHARKEY.

TOO MANY OF THEM.

The epidemic of fouls which seems to be sweeping through boxing like a plague, and which came to a climax when Phil Scott beat Otto von Porat on a foul, has focussed the attention of sporting circles in America upon what is generally admitted to be a rapidly growing evil.

The New York State Athletic Commission is much perturbed by the Scott-Porat fiasco, and is determined at all costs to stamp out the practice. At a recent meeting it was decided to suspend Porat indefinitely.

Inquiries made in circles close to the Commission indicate that that body favours the introduction of drastic legislation empowering them to bar a fouling fighter completely or forfeit the whole of the boxer's purse.

"No Fight" and Money Back.

The Commission is also considering calling bouts ending in a foul "no fight," and giving the spectators the right to see a return match with the same ticket. It is pointed out, however, that this would put a great burden on the promoter, and would probably ruin most of the small clubs.

"A good many fouls are unintentional," said Mr. J. A. Farley, chairman of the Commission. "Let us have a law permitting us to fine any boxer who commits a foul to the full extent of his purse and then you will see a wonderful decrease in the number of fouls. It is significant that in the States, where boxing commissions are empowered to without the purse, there are practically no fouls."

Automatic suspension has not stopped the practice, and all contraptions constructed to prevent what might be serious injuries to recipients are apparently inadequate.

In New York State a boxer is provided with a sort of rubber bag which is blown out like a football. Scott's view is that the contrivance is a good one, and might well be introduced in England.

Phil Scott's Views.

Asked what he thought about fouls in general, Phil Scott expressed himself emphatically:—"Foul blows are an absolute violation of both sportsmanship and the Queensberry rules, and should be severely punished.

"The warnings which American referees usually give an offender the first time he hits low should be abolished. A foul is a foul the first time—not only the third time. If boxers will not learn where to land punches they should be made to learn."

Jack Sharkey, who always claimed he was fouled by Jack Dempsey when the latter knocked him out two years ago, said: "There is too much of it. I know many fighters who consistently hit low, but seem to get away with it."

Gene Tunney, asked for his opinion, remarked that it would probably be found impossible to do away with fouls altogether. He declared that the problem was the bane of present-day boxing, and during his career he had often been hit low and said nothing about it.

One of the best-known boxing critics in America, Vincent Treanor, of the New York *Evening World*, commenting on the Scott-Porat fight, says if the rule against low punches were rigidly enforced boxing would be better off. Only in cases where there is reasonable doubt whether the blow was on the belt-line or below should the referee give the man delivering it the benefit of a second chance.

Fouling Too Frequent.

Fouling undoubtedly is coming into vogue again in certain quarters, which include boxers who find pleasure in sticking the thumb of their glove into an opponent's eye during the course of a left jab. Quite a number of young boxers, who are the victims of this sort of dirty work, are going round New York blind in one eye.

On the other hand, there is a school of thought in America which holds that any game fighter, protected as he is to-day, ought not to claim any kind of foul. In its opinion a fighter who "squawks" when hit low is yellow, and no one can be too badly hurt to keep on fighting.

The Commission, of which Mr. William Muldoon and Mayor Walker are members, refused to allow Madison Square Garden to put on the match between von Porat and Paolino Uzcudun, but they indicated that Porat might be allowed to appear there at some later date.

The Commission has adopted a new rule for boxers who commit fouls. In future such boxers will only be paid in proportion to the number of rounds fought before the foul is committed. The exact amount will be decided in each case. The Commission notified all Metropolitan clubs that they must enforce this rule.

TENNIS IN THE RIVIERA.

PLAYERS AND UMPIRE COME INTO CONFLICT.

STRANGE CONTINENTAL ATTITUDE.

The Riviera tennis season has not made a good start. That players of more than one nationality should dispute the decisions of the umpires in charge of their matches, and, further, demand the removal of an umpire who has dared to penalise them for the infringement of the rules of the game, is a matter which must very shortly demand the attention of the ruling bodies of the game.

Foot-Faults.

The trouble in these recent cases on the Riviera arose, as is often the case, over the foot-fault rule. Breaches of this rule are, as is notorious, of common occurrence. In many cases umpires, and even linesmen, ignore their duty in cases of foot-faulting; and to that extent they have a share in a state of affairs which has become far too common. But that some umpires fail, probably for the sake of peace and quietness, to penalise an offender is no excuse for an offender, when penalised by an umpire who knows his job and is determined to see fair play, demanding the removal of such an umpire. It is the player, and not the umpire, who ought to be removed from the court on such an occasion.

If an umpire is taking a match without the aid of linesmen, he is responsible for seeing that the rules are observed. In respect of the foot-fault rule, the player has to satisfy the umpire that his service is fair. The umpire has not to be satisfied that the service is unfair; in other words, if he is in doubt as to whether it is fair or not, it is his duty to call it a fault, in order to protect the opposing player from a probable unfairness.

The Sole Judge.

There are many ways in which the server may break the foot-fault rule; he may walk about, he may jump, he may swing his foot over the line before he has hit the ball, he may put his foot on the line, he may serve from outside the (imaginary) continuation lines of the court. In each and all of these cases an umpire (acting without linesmen) is the sole judge as to whether the rule is being obeyed or not; and if he is not satisfied that it is being obeyed he ought to penalise that offender. Often enough a player, on being foot faulted, will say to the umpire, "You can't see from the chair whether I was swinging over or not." (This is, perhaps, the commonest form that objection to the umpire's ruling takes). The umpire's reply should be—and, in the case of a strong umpire, is—"You have got to satisfy me that your service is fair; at present I am not satisfied; and until I am I shall continue to call 'fault'!"

L.T.A. Ruling.

In taking up such an attitude, uncompromising if you like, but strictly fair, an umpire has the full force of the Lawn Tennis Association at his back, for its council, in its "recommendations Regarding Lawn Tennis Tournaments," lays it down that "an umpire (or line umpire) should call a fault in every case where he is not satisfied that the service rules have been strictly observed."

It is quite possible that many umpires are not aware of this recommendation: they certainly should be not only acquainted with it, but prepared to put it in force. If they did so, there certainly might be a little unpleasantness at first, but the result would very soon be that breaches of the service rules would be a thing of the past. Offenders against the rule are to be found in every grade of player, from the highest downwards; some do it unconsciously, others in the hope that the umpire or linesman will not penalise them. And after, probably, a long course of immunity, their complaint rises bitterly against an umpire who knows his duty and is not afraid to do it. But all that he is doing is preventing them from gaining an unfair advantage over their opponent. And, to do them justice, even the worst foot-faulters would hesitate to allow that that was their intention.

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NOTICE.

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Bearers of Debentures are invited to attend the Drawing.

By Order,
T. A. ROBERTSON
Lieut.-Col.,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 11th Mar., 1930. [9146

NOTICE.

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IN Order that a Complete List may be maintained for Record purposes, will those LADIES and GENTLEMEN resident in Hong Kong, other than those now serving in HIS MAJESTY'S FORCES, who have had any DECORATION conferred upon them by HIS MAJESTY THE KING, please inform the CHIEF CLERK, COLONIAL SECRETARIAT, if this has not already been done, Within 14 Days from 7TH MARCH, 1930. [9179

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Money and Markets

GOSSIP FROM THE SHARE-MARKET.

PAST WEEK SEES A SLOWING DOWN ON LOCAL RIALTO.

FREE ADVICE FOR INVESTORS.

[By "KUFAN."]

Gossip often moves the market, but no investor should either buy or sell on market gossip only.

The share-market during the past week has been fairly quiet, and practically the only big business was done was in Trams and Hotels. Rates, however, were well maintained, and it is anticipated that for the present week a slight advancement in prices all round will be seen.

There is a predominance of buyers over sellers on the local Rialto, a good sign which augurs well for those who have holdings in local companies.

Shanghai shares improved slightly during the period under review, owing to the news from the North being a little bit better, but the outlook at present of the Shanghai share-market is none too rosy, and in spite of the slight improvement investors should ponder well before deciding to go in for Shanghai shares in preference to Hong Kong stocks.

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HONG KONG BANKS—A fairly large number of shares changed hands at rates varying from $1,375 to $1,385.

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UNIONS were dealt in at $399 to $400, and at the latter rate a few sellers were attracted.

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UNDERWRITERS still seem to be on the easy side, owing to the call that is hanging over this stock. Sales were quoted at $1.10, and further shares can be got at this price.

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STEAMBOATS recovered their dividend very quickly, and at the close were wanted at $26.

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RAUBS.—The price of this stock has been climbing steadily, and business was done during the week at $18 to $18.50 and there appeared to be a demand for further shares at this rate.

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KOWLOON WHARVES—A few shares changed hands at $153 to $153.50, prior to the payment of the dividend. Further shares were wanted at the close of the week at $144.50 ex dividend.

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PROVIDENTS appear to be neglected and were dealt in at $5. More shares can be placed at this rate.

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HONG KONG HOTELS.—A fairly large business was done in this stock at $12.90 and $13. They closed with sellers at the latter figure and buyers trying to get in at slightly less.

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HONG KONG LANDS changed hands at $84 and are still required at this rate, there being a demand for these shares at the close of the week.

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HONG KONG REALTIES.—It was reported that a small parcel changed hands at $8. Other than that, there was no business recorded in this stock.

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HUMPHREYS ESTATES.—There are buyers of this stock at $14.

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HONG KONG TRAMS—A fairly large business was done in this stock, and I understand a few thousand shares have changed hands at various prices between $20.25 and $20.60. They closed on Saturday with demand slightly easier, sellers asking $20.40 and buyers only offering $20.20.

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STAR FERRIES—After sales had been effected at $66 to $67 during the week, business closed with buyers offering to take up shares at $67. I am afraid a slightly higher rate will have to be paid before further shares will be available.

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CHINA LIGHTS.—The old shares were handled at $19 and $19.25. The new shares stand at $15. There are many buyers of these shares in the market, particularly of "combined shares," which are now wanted at $23.

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HONG KONG ELECTRICS had a slight set-back during the week, and after sales had been effected at $66 and $66.50 further shares were offered at $66.

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HONG KONG TELEPHONES—This stock is steady, with buyers at $10.30 and no sellers in evidence.

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CEMENTS changed hands at $14.75 and $15. The buying rate at the close was about $14.70.

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DAIRY FARMS—A few shares changed hands at $20.75 ex dividend, and there are further buyers in the market at this rate.

EWOS—Sales were effected at $16 and $16.35 during the week, and they appear to be slightly easier at the close.

REPLIES TO READERS.

Every week in this column, "Kufan" replies to correspondents who may have questions to put regarding the prospects of any stock quoted in Hong Kong, Shanghai, or Singapore. Questions regarding principles, practice and custom can also be dealt with.

Correspondents are asked to address their queries to "Kufan," care of the Editor of this paper, and to give their names and addresses. It is desirable that a *nomme de plume* be also included, in order that readers can pick out the answers intended for them.

Every effort will be made to give as full and detailed a reply as possible, but no responsibility whatever is admitted by the writer in so doing.

Those who have written for information last week will find answers to their queries below:—

JAD—1. The price is quite high, and I would advise you to take your profit. It is doubtful whether the rate will go higher. 2. Yes. Here again I would advise you to take your profit. 3. The question is difficult to answer. The prospects of the Company are quite bright and their business is very good, and the least they will pay, I should think, will be the same as last year. 4. I agree that you should part with your holdings in this Company, as there is little prospect of prices appreciating. Last quotation Shanghai $6.75. Buyers are offering a little more than that at the moment.

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SEEKER—I find on making inquiries that the rise recently has not been justified, and the obvious course for me is to advise you to take your profit and do so before the price comes down again. On the whole, it would be better *not* to wait for the dividend before selling.

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SAFETY—I hear there is a possibility of this Company spending a large sum of money very soon on acquiring another concern. If so, the shares should go up. I have not been able to learn whether the negotiations have been successful or otherwise. If you sell to-day there is a small profit, but you had better wait a little. Write to me again in a fortnight's time.

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MAC—Don't sell your holdings in a hurry, as I do not think shareholders will suffer by the loss to which you refer. The meeting is delayed owing to an investigation which, I hear, has now been finished. A good deal of clerical work is required to straighten things out, and I think that is the reason for the delay.

H.K. FIRE INSURANCE CO.

1928 SURPLUS $700,000.

The General Managers and Consulting Committee of the Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., will submit the following statement of the accounts of the Company, made up to December 31, 1929, in sterling and Hong Kong currency at the 61st ordinary meeting to be held at the Company's offices on Wednesday, March 26:—

1928 Account.

This account shows a surplus of $714,807.47, and it is recommended that this sum be appropriated as follows:—

To pay a dividend of $47 per share	$376,000.00
To add to sterling reserve £25,000	307,692.31
To add to reinsurance fund £2,528.2.2	31,115.16
	$714,807.47

1929 Account.—The balance at credit of this account is $511,112.36.

Officers.

Consulting Committee.—Mr. A. S. Gubbay resigned his seat on account of his departure from the Colony.

Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. C. Bernard Brown, A. H. Compton, L. Dunbar, T. E. Pearce and A. H. White retire but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews and Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming who, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

H.K. & SHANGHAI HOTELS.

PROPOSED DIVIDEND.

The above Company's balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account at December 31, 1929 (including the sum of $175,510.47 brought forward from the previous year) amounted to $791,293.43, which the Directors recommend apportioning as follows:—

To pay a dividend of 50 cents per share on 796,357 shares	$398,178.50
To transfer to Exchange Fluctuation Account	150,000.00
To transfer to Repairs and Renewals Account	100,000.00
To carry forward to New Account	143,115.43
Total	$791,293.93

CANTON TRADE NOTES.

The price of salt is exceedingly high in the East River districts, being over forty cents per catty.

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Demand for cane molasses by both local and country merchants is brisk and prices have gone up. Cane molasses are imported from the Dutch Indies in large quantities annually.

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Prices for rice and firewood have fallen owing to large arrivals. Rice of medium-grade is sold at nine to ten catties to the dollar while firewood at seventy to eighty catties a dollar.

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The groundnut oil market is still dull. The market for other edible oils are normal. Latest prices are: groundnut oil $28.30 per picul, teaseed oil $35, bean oil $27.50 and wood-tar oil $42.

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The cotton yarn market is again dull. Prices however are firm as both stocks and supplies are limited. According to a Shanghai telegram, the price of fine yarns rose by fifty cents per bale on Friday.

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The foreign sugar market has slightly improved. Latest quotations are:—White coarse granulated sugar $12 per picul, white fine granulated sugar $13 and cube sugar $13.50. The flour market is weak and prices low.

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The money market has been steady during the past few months. Central Bank of China notes of $1 denominations are now accepted at par but old 20-cent silver coins are not readily accepted. The exchange rate for Hong Kong money has been very irregular.

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Demand for Chinese raw silk by foreign merchants is still disappointing and prices are low. The average price during last month was about H.K.$910 per picul, a drop of about $30 over the preceding month. Some 70 bales of raw silk were sold to foreign merchants on Friday. The price of No. 13/15 Fine Y was H.K.$1,040 per bale.

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There has been a healthier demand for Chinese silk piece goods and cloth, following the movement for promoting the use of Chinese goods. Another cause is the sharp rise in the prices of foreign goods owing to the exchange. Chinese cloth and linen are much inferior to the foreign articles and until recently, they did not sell at all readily.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

	Rugby, March 16.
Paris	124.25
New York	4.86 3/32
Brussels	34.80½
Geneva	25.11½
Amsterdam	12.12½
Milan	92.85
Berlin	20.38½
Stockholm	18.11½
Copenhagen	18.16½
Oslo	18.17
Vienna	34.52½
Prague	164½
Helsingfors	193½
Madrid	33.95
Lisbon	108.30
Athens	375
Bucharest	818
Rio	5 11/16
Buenos Aires	41 11/16
Bombay	Holiday
Shanghai	1/10½
Hong Kong	1/5½
Yokohama	2/0½
Silver (spot)	19½
Silver (forward)	19

More than 300 residents in Fairbanks, Alaska, are afflicted with a strange malady which is slowly paralyzing all its victims. The ailment is reported to be due to the drinking of Jamaica ginger, which local bootleggers have been distributing. No deaths have occurred as yet.

DAILY SHARE QUOTATIONS.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE. — SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION.

MONDAY, MARCH 17.

Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal		Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
				Banks				
$	1,383½	...	...	H.K. Banks	...	...	...	$1,385
...	...	...	£108	Do. (London)	...	...	...	£19½
...	...	...	£17½	Chartered Banks	...	...	...	£34½
...	...	...	£29	Mercantile Bks. "A"	...	...	...	£15
...	...	...	£15½	Do. "C"	...	...	...	
$99	...	...	...	Bank of East Asia	$99	...	...	...
				Insurances				
$765	...	...	...	Canton Ins.	$765	...	...	$1.10
...	$1½	...	...	Underwriters	...	...	...	T160
T.160	...	...	...	North China	...	...	...	
$398	...	$400	...	Union Ins.	$398	...	...	$60
...	...	...	M.$50	Yangtsze Ins.	...	...	...	
$340	...	...	...	China Fires	$345	...	...	...
$393	...	...	...	H.K. Fires	$395	...	...	
				Shipping				
...	$23½	...	...	Douglases	...	...	...	$24
$26	...	...	...	Steamboats	$36½	...	...	...
...	...	...	$43	Indos (pref.)	...	...	...	$50
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...	...	...	T13.60	Langkats (comb.)	...	...	...	T.14½
...	...	...	T.7½	Do. (single)	...	...	...	T.9
...	...	...	T1.30	Explorations	...	...	...	T.1½
...	...	...	T.5	Shanghai Loans	...	...	...	T.3½
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T7.80	...	...	...	New Engineerings	...	...	...	T.7½
T.216	...	...	...	Hongkews	...	...	...	...
				Cotton Mills				
...	...	...	T16.10	Ewos	T.16	...	...	...
...	...	...	T.80	S'hai C'tons (old)	...	...	...	T.83½
...	...	...	T.78	Do. (new)	...	...	...	T.81
...	...	...	T.10	Zoong Sings	...	...	...	T.9½
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...	...	...	$14	Humphreys	$14	...	...	...
...	$98	...	...	Chinese Estates	...	...	...	...
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...	...	...	$6.05	Do. (new)	$5½	...	...	...
...	...	...	$67	Star Ferries	$67	...	...	...
$19.60	...	19.30/-	60	C. Lights (old)	$19.20	...	...	...
...	...	...	$15	Do. (new)	...	...	...	$15
...	...	...	...	Do. (comb.)	$23	...	...	...
...	$66½	$66½	...	H.K. Electrics	$65½	$66½	$66½/½	...
$23	...	...	...	Macao do.	...	...	...	...
$4½	...	...	...	Sandakan Lights	...	...	...	...
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18/3	...	...	...	Do. (pref.)	...	...	...	...
				Industrials				
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...	...	...	$2½	Canton Ices	...	...	...	$2½
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...	...	...	$27	Malabon Sugars	...	...	...	$29
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$0.80	...	...	...	Der A. Wings	...	...	...	...
$28½	...	...	...	Amusements	$28½	...	...	...
...	...	...	$1.30	Constructions	$1.20	...	...	...
...	$2½	...	...	Lane Crawfords	...	...	...	$3
$18	...	...	...	Mackintoshs	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Nanyang Tobacco	...	...	...	$4
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Shanghai & Swatow	*Suiyang*	19th Mar.
Japan	*Amazon Maru*	19th Mar.
Straits	*Nagpore*	19th Mar.
Java	*Tjikarang*	19th Mar.
Europe via Negapatam (Letters only, London, 20th February)	*Yuen Sang*	20th Mar.
Japan	*La Plata Maru*	20th Mar.
U.S.A. (San Francisco, 22nd February), Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	*Tenyo Maru*	20th Mar.
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Japan & Shanghai	*Kamo Maru*	21st Mar.
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U.S.A. (San Francisco, 28th February), Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	*Pres. McKinley*	24th Mar.
Japan	*Tango Maru*	25th Mar.
Japan & Shanghai	*Chenonceaux*	25th Feb.
U.S.A. (Seattle, 8th March), Canada, Japan & Shanghai	*Pres. Jefferson*	28th Mar.
Canada (Victoria, B.C., 8th March), U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	*Emp. of Russia*	30th Mar.
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Hoihow	*Kingyuan*	9.30 a.m.
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Saigon	*Prosper*	4.30 p.m.
Swatow	*Yatshing*	5.00 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & *EUROPE via Vancouver, B.C.—due Vancouver, B.C., 4th April, & *Europe via Siberia	*Emp. of Canada*	Parcels 5.00 p.m. Wednesday, 19th, Reg. 9.15 a.m. Letters 10.00 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	*Oremer*	Wednesday, 19th, 12.30 p.m.
Sandakan	*Trinan*	3.30 p.m.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 25th April	*Chenonceaux*	Thursday, 20th, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Haining*	9.30 a.m.
Manila	*Pres. McKinley*	4.30 p.m.
Swatow	*Chaksang*	5.00 p.m.
Amoy	*Hesang*	5.00 p.m.
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island — due Thursday Island, 7th April	*Tango Maru*	Wednesday, 26th, Reg. 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.
Amoy	*Taiyuan*	3.30 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta	*Yuensang*	Thursday, 27th, Par. Noon Letters 1.00 p.m.
Amoy	*Kumsang*	5.00 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 25th April	*Rawalpindi*	Friday, 28th, *Kowloon P.O.* Parcels 4.30 p.m. Reg. 29th, 9.00 a.m. Letters 10.00 a.m. *G.P.O.* Par. 28th, 5.00 p.m. Reg. 29th, 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
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NAVAL GUNNERY.

A FAMOUS SCHOOL AND ITS STORY.

One of the most interesting naval events of the year will be the celebration by the Excellent gunnery school at Portsmouth of its centenary. This school, which for a long period has taught scientific gunnery to officers of many other navies than the British, completes the hundredth year of its existence on June 10. Its beginnings were small and typical of the manner in which naval gunnery has been brought to the present state of high efficiency.

In 1829 a naval officer who felt concern at the lack of systematic gunnery teaching in our Fleet, made representations on the subject to the Admiralty of the day. As a result, he was appointed to the old warship Excellent, "for gunnery training duties" as it would now be officially described. A small staff was placed under him, and thus the Navy's first school of gunnery came into being. With its foundation a new era dawned during which great things have been done for gunnery, though progress has often had to be made in the face of difficulties.

"Expending" Ammunition.

Amongst an older generation of sailors, "all this talk about the improvement of target practice" was regarded as an objectionable fad. There must be many retired naval still living who can remember a time when "spit and polish" notions prevailed and ammunition was dropped overboard instead of being "expended" in the proper way, because to fire it from them would have made the guns dirty. The hard struggle which the late Admiral Sir Percy Scott and other pioneers of the "gunnery first" movement had to get their views adopted will be recalled equally easily.

Happily, that is all ancient history now, and gunnery holds the place it should occupy in our scheme of naval training. Weapons as well as methods have vastly improved in the past century. A single big gun of the latest type has greater offensive power than resided in a whole broadside of the guns in use when the Excellent school was founded.

Amongst the interesting things to be shown to the public in connection with the centenary celebration will be tableaux which illustrate sea gunnery from the earliest times to the present day. Sailors in period costume are to picture the successive pages of this history to the public nightly for a week at the latter end of July as part of a lengthy programme of naval displays arranged in commemoration of the anniversary.

TENNIS SENSATION.

AUSTIN BEATS BOROTRA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, March 16.

A sensational victory by H.W. ("Bunny") Austin over Jean Borotra was the outstanding feature of the annual inter-city lawn tennis tournament between Paris and London to-day.

Paris beat London by twelve matches to nine.

H.W. Austin beat J. Borotra by three sets to one, after losing the first, 2-6 6-2, 11-9, 6-2.

PASSENGERS.

Arrivals.

The following first class passengers arrived here by the R.M.S. Empress of Canada from Manila:—Major R. E. Goddard, Mr. and Mrs. F. De Grant and maid, Mrs. M. L. Grey, Mrs. V. L. King, Mr. S. P. Lau, Mr. and Mrs. W. Lightburn, Miss and Master Lightburn, Mr. E. Stone, Mr. and Mrs. J. Strickland, Master J. Strickland, Mr. S. C. Tan, Mrs. K. K. Chua, Master S. J. A. A. Hiap, Mr. J. Williamson, Mr. P. Verstockt, Mr. S. B. Townsend, Miss K. L. Townsend, Mrs. M. B. Bean, Major D. Campbell, Mrs. R. F. Dillon, Mrs. G. J. Everett and infant, Mr. P. Y. Hu, Mr. P. Hu, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mears, Mr. K. C. Murray, Mr. H. A. McComb, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Quarles and Miss Quarles, Miss Pirie, Mrs. J. Randall, Mrs. H. K. Vassey, Mr. T. R. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Zander, Mrs. N. Hirsch, Mrs. E. Kummer, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Sage, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Amos, Master Amos, Mrs. P. C. de Artieda, Mr. H. M. Bradley, Miss K. Calkins, Mr. and Mrs. Childs, Coffin Miss Childs, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Diehl, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Elizalde and Miss Elizalde, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Foster, Mrs. G. H. Heyward, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Marpols, Mrs. A. Morrison and Miss L. Morrison, Mr. F. T. Norris, Mrs. A. H. Rockwell and infant, Mrs. H. and Miss D. Spencer, Mr. J. W. Stafford, Mrs. C. and Master Whitney, Mr. and Mrs. J. Woolf and Miss Wolf.

The following passengers arrived by the s.s. Trier (Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen) from Hamburg and ports:—Mr. Harry Eley, Mrs. Werner Nissen Genoa, Dr. Werner Nissen Genoa, Mr. Lindsay Kwa, Mr. Chan Chee, Mr. Chueng Yun, Mr. Lam Kow Kwong, Mr. Li Yun, Mr. Pang Kam, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Weidler, Mr. Ernest Sidney Strange, Mr. George Lee, Mr. Werner Boek and family.

Departures.

The following passengers left here on Saturday by the P. & O. s.s. Kalyan for London and ports:—Mr. S. Ageki, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Browne, Miss A. M. Buck, Mrs. M. A. Bishop, Mr. H. W. Brady, Miss A. M. Bignell, Mr. G. A. Carter, Mr. W. E. Cook, Mr. A. H. Crook, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. H. Carpenter, Mr. Robert Chan, Mrs. W. M. Durston, Mr. E. A. Deacon, Mr. D. Dewar, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. B. de Courcy and 3 children, Miss A. Denniss, Mr. F. A. Dinsdale, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Dinsdale, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Eustace and child, Mrs. J. Fihelly, Corpl. W. H. Fennell, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Fraser, and infant, Mr. K. Fridoff, Miss C. G. Gowland, Mrs. J. Gray and Miss J. Gray, Mrs. M. C. Grant, Miss L. Gregory, Mr. J. Gair, Mrs. W. L. Handyside, Miss V. Handyside, Master I. Handyside, Miss D. Handyside, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hynes, Mr. J. F. G. Harris, Mrs. D. A. G. Harding, Miss M. Harding, Lady Colinia Hussey, Comdr. E. W. Kitson, R.N., Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Livesley, child and infant, Miss C. C. Munro, Mrs. P. Murphy, S/Sergt. and Mrs. W. A. Mackenzie and infant, Bishop and Mrs. H. Mowell, Mr. J. Mathins, Miss J. Mathins, Miss E. Nelson, Mrs. J. Nerollet, Mr. S. C. Osborne, Mr. and Mrs. F. Oliver, Master D. Oliver, Paym.-Lieut.-Comdr. F. D. Pearce, Mrs. F. D. Pearce, Master F. R. D. Pearce, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Rattey, Mrs. R. M. Rutter, Mr. and Mrs. A. Robertson, Master R. Robertson, Master A. Robertson, Mr. J. Y. W. Seek, Comdr. C. E. B. Simeon, R.N., Mr. D. C. Speirs, Mr. C. Sara, Mr. W. G. Stocker, Mr. W. J. Sprintall, Miss F. Skevington, Miss G. Skevington, Mr. S. Schofield, Mr. and Mrs. Shaw and child and infant, Mr. W. O. Warnock, Miss J. B. Wells, Mr. A. R. Williamson, Mr. A. E. Walker, Mr. W. B. Scannell.

(*Continued on next Column.*)

IMPERIAL LEAGUE OF OPERA.

NO ANNOUNCEMENT OF SEASON'S PLANS.

MISSING "MILO."

There is a mystery behind the scenes of the Imperial League of Opera which its 44,000 subscribers are vainly trying to solve.

The league—which was founded in London in November 1927—had promised to give the first official statement as to its condition in the February issue of the magazine *Milo*, which it published monthly and sent to all members.

Veil of Silence.

This number of the magazine has failed to appear on time, and a veil of silence has been drawn across its fate which was only lifted when inquiries were made at the offices of the printers of the Christmas issue.

"As far as we are concerned *Milo* is finished," said an official.

The Christmas issue contained the following statement:—

"The month of January will be devoted to a very thorough stocktaking of the results of the league's two years' campaign. The fourth number of *Milo* will appear—in a much-improved format—on February 1, and will contain a full report of the league's achievements as regards membership, as well as the first instalment of Sir Thomas Beecham's long-awaited autobiography. All future numbers will be published on the first of the month."

"Nothing to Say."

An attempt to secure an explanation at the headquarters of the league at 90, Regent-street, W.1, was unsuccessful, the secretary being absent. Several officials have severed their connection with the organisation within the past few days.

"The administrator may be in later on," a clerk stated.

Later, the writer again inquired and was met with the cryptic utterance:—

"We have nothing for you to-day."

"Well, then," I said, "I must see Sir Thomas Beecham. Can you tell me where I can find him?"

"No," was the reply.

"It is very important," I continued. "I will go anywhere to see him. Is he in London or Berlin?"

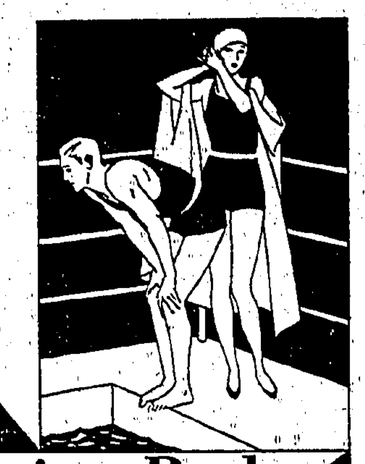
"We do not know," said the clerk. "We have nothing for you to-day."

First Season.

In the meantime no further information has been given about the first season of the league, which was announced in November to clash with the Covent Garden season in May.

When the league started two and a-half years ago it was stated that "the first season will be given in London commencing some time in October 1928, and will be of not less than seven weeks' duration."

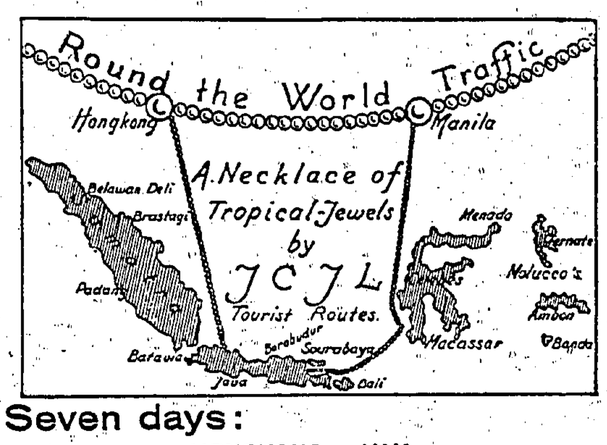
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TJIMANOEK ...	AMOY	24th Mar.	25th Mar., Noon	BATAVIA
TJIKARANG	S'HAI. & AMOY	30th Mar.	1st Apr., Noon	MANILA, MK'SAR. & SOERABAIA
TJISALAK ..	AMOY	6th Apr.	8th Apr., Noon	BATAVIA
TJIBADAK ..	S'HAI. & AMOY	13th Apr.	15th Apr., Noon	MANILA, MK'SAR & SOERABAIA
TJISAROEA ...	AMOY	20h Apr.	22nd Apr., Noon	BATAVIA

NORTH BOUND

STEAMERS	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE ON OR ABOUT	FOR
TJIKARANG ...	BATAVIA	19th Mar.	20th Mar.	AMOY & S'HAI.
TJISALAK ...	JAVA, MAKASSAR	29th Mar.	31st Mar.	SWATOW & AMOY
TJIBADAK ...	BATAVIA	2nd Apr.	3rd Apr.	AMOY & S'HAI.
TJISAROEA ...	JAVA, MAKASSAR	12th Apr.	14th Apr.	SWATOW & AMOY
TJISONDARI..	BATAVIA	16th Apr.	17th Apr.	AMOY & S'HAI.
TJILEBOET ...	JAVA, MAKASSAR	26th Apr.	28th Apr.	SWATOW & AMOY

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AMOY.

Haiching, Douglas, Mar. 18.
Tainan, B. & S., Mar. 19.
Tjikarang, J.C.J.L., Mar. 20.
Yuensang, Jardine's, Mar. 21.
Kiungchow, B. & S., Mar. 23.
Haining, Douglas, Mar. 25.
Taiyuan, B. & S., Mar. 25.
Talma, B.I., Mar. 25.
Hosang, Jardine's, Mar. 26.
Kumsang, Jardine's, Mar. 28.
Resolute, Jebsen, Mar. 28.
Tjisalak, J.C.J.L., Mar. 31.
Tjibadak, J.C.J.L., Apr. 3.
Shirala, B.I., Apr. 5.
Namsang, Jardine's, Apr. 8.
Takliwa, B.I., Apr. 8.
Tjisaroea, J.C.J.L., Apr. 14.
Kutsang, Jardine's, Apr. 18.

ANTWERP.

Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 22
Asia, Manners, Mar. 23.
Menelaus, B.F., Apr. 1.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 5.
Afrika, Manners, Apr. 9.
Nanking, Gilman's, Apr. 14.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Taiping, B. & S., Mar. 18.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 26.
St. Albans, E. & A., Apr. 4.
Changte, B. & S., Apr. 19.

BALTIC PORTS.

Asia, Manners, Mar. 23.
Afrika, Manners, Apr. 9.

BALTIMORE.

Trentbank, Bank, Mar. 31.

BANGKOK.

Yingchow, B. & S., Mar. 20.
Hellas, Thoresen, Mar. 23.
Kiangsu, B. & S., Mar. 23.
Helios, Thoresen, Mar. 30.
Kaying, B. & S., Mar. 30.
Hirundo, Thoresen, Apr. 6.

BELAWAN DELI.

Pleasantville, Thoresen, Mar. 18.
Frankfurt, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Cremer, J.C.J.L., Mar. 27.

BOMBAY.

Alipore, P. & O., Mar. 19.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 27.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., Mar. 29
Malwa, P. & O., Apr. 12.

BOSTON.

Tai Shan, Dodwell's, Mar. 20.
Pres. Wilson Dollar, Mar. 23.
Japanese Prince, Furness, Mar. 27.
Trentbank, Bank, Mar. 31.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 3.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Apr. 6.
Nelcus, Blue Funnel, Apr. 7.
Chinese Prince, Furness, Apr. 10.
Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 16.

BREMEN.

Asia, Manners, Mar. 23.
Frankfurt, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Ramses, Jebsen, Mar. 25.
Trier, Melchers, Apr. 5.
Afrika, Manners, Apr. 9.
Dessau, Melchers, Apr. 12.

BRINDISI.

Col. di Lana, D'well's, Mar. 20.
Romolo, Dodwell's, Apr. 10.

CALCUTTA.

Tilawa, B.I., Mar. 20.
Akita Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.
Yuensang, Jardine's, Mar. 25.
Talamba, B.I., Mar. 30.
Takada, B.I., Mar. 31

CEBU.

Nevada, S.S.S., Mar. 22.
Golden Sun, S.S.S., Mar. 27.
Texas, S.S.S., Apr. 4.
Bellingham, S.S.S., Apr. 6.

CHEFOO.

Kueichow, B. & S., Mar. 28.
Huichow, B. & S., Apr. 10.

COLOMBO.

Aeneas, B.F., Mar. 18.
Alipore, P. & O., Mar. 19.
Col. di Lana, D'well's, Mar. 20.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 22
Frankfurt, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Pres. Wilson Dollar, Mar. 23.
Chenonceaux, M.M., Mar. 25.
Ramses, Jebsen, Mar. 25.
Col di Lana, D'well's, Mar. 26.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 27.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., Mar. 29.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 5.
Trier, Melchers, Apr. 5.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Apr. 6.
Duisburg, Jebsen, Apr. 8.
Romolo, Dodwell's, Apr. 10.
Dessau, Melchers, Apr. 12.
Malwa, P. & O., Apr. 12.
Nanking, Gilman's, Apr. 14.
Sarpedon, B.F., Apr. 16.

COPENHAGEN.

Asia, Manners, Mar. 23.
Afrika, Manners, Apr. 9.

DALNY.

Chenan, B. & S., Mar. 23.

DUTCH PORTS.

Aeneas, B.F., Mar. 18.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 22
Asia, Manners, Mar. 23.
Ramses, Jebsen, Mar. 25.
Menelaus, B.F., Apr. 1.
Duisburg, Jebsen, Apr. 3.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 5.
Trier, Melchers, Apr. 5.
Afrika, Manners, Apr. 9.
City of Tokio, Bank, Apr. 9.
Nanking, Gilman's, Apr. 14.
Sarpedon, B.F., Apr. 16.
Sauerland, Jebsen, Apr. 19.

FOOCHOW

Haiching, Douglas, Mar. 18.
Cheongshing, Jardine's, Mar. 21.
Haining, Douglas, Mar. 25.
Chipshing, Jardine's, Apr. 8.
Huichow, B. & S., Apr. 10.

GENOA.

Col. di Lana, D'well's, Mar. 20.
Keemun, B.F., Mar. 20.
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.
Pres. Wilson Dollar, Mar. 23.
Ramses, Jebsen, Mar. 25.
Resolute, Jebsen, Mar. 28.
Duisburg, Jebsen, Apr. 3.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Apr. 6.
Dessau, Melchers, Apr. 12.
Nanking, Gilman's, Apr. 14.
Sauerland, Jebsen, Apr. 19.

GLASGOW.

Aeneas, B.F., Mar. 18.
Keemun, B.F., Mar. 20.

GOTHENBURG.

Asia, Manners, Mar. 23.
Afrika, Manners, Apr. 9.
Nanking, Gilman's, Apr. 14.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Kingyuan, B. & S., Mar. 18.
Yingchow, B. & S., Mar. 20.
Canton, M.M., Mar. 25.
Chekiang, B. & S., Mar. 27.
Tonkin, M.M., Mar. 27.
Chengtu, B. & S., Apr. 10.

HAMBURG.

Asia, Manners, Mar. 23.
Frankfurt, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Ramses, Jebsen, Mar. 25.
Menelaus, B.F., Apr. 1.
Duisburg, Jebsen, Apr. 3.
Trier, Melchers, Apr. 5.
Afrika, Manners, Apr. 9.
City of Tokio, Bank, Apr. 9.
Dessau, Melchers, Apr. 12.
Nanking, Gilman's, Apr. 14.
Sauerland, Jebsen, Apr. 19.

HAVRE.

Keemun, B.F., Mar. 20.
Nanking, Gilman's, Apr. 14.

HONOLULU.

Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 2.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 4.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 5.
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 14.

ILOILO.

Nevada, S.S.S., Mar. 22.
Golden Sun, S.S.S., Mar. 27.
Bellingham, S.S.S., Apr. 6.

JAPAN PORTS

Carnavonshire, Jardine's, Mar. 18.
Pres. Jackson, A.M.L., Mar. 18.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Mar. 19.
Fiume, D'well's, Mar. 19.
Nagpore, P. & O., Mar. 19.
Lahn, Melchers, Mar. 20.
Tai Shan, Dodwell's, Mar. 20.
Ajax, B.F., Mar. 21.
Aki Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 21.
Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 22.
Formosa, Gilman's, Mar. 22.
Autolycus, B.F., Mar. 25.
Pres. Taft, Dollar, Mar. 25.
Talma, B.I., Mar. 25.
D'Artagnan, M.M., Mar. 26.
Hosang, Jardine's, Mar. 26.
Mirzapore, P. & O., Mar. 26.
Calcutta Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 27.
Delhi, Gilman's, Mar. 27.
Glenbeg, Jardine's, Mar. 28.
Kumsang, Jardine's, Mar. 28.
Rajputana, P. & O., Mar. 28.
Talthybius, B.F., Mar. 29.
Kulmerland, Jebsen, Mar. 28.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 31.
Pres. Mckinley, A.M.L., Apr. 1.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 2.
Venezia, Dodwell's, Apr. 2.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 4.
Mishima Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 4.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 5.
Shirala, B.I., Apr. 5.
Beltana, P. & O., Apr. 6.
Khyber, P. & O., Apr. 6.
Namsang, Jardine's, Apr. 8.
Nellore, E. & A., Apr. 8.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Apr. 8.
Takliwa, B.I., Apr. 8.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Apr. 9.
Malaya, Manners, Apr. 10.
Malaya, Manners, Apr. 11.
Pembrokeshire, Jardine's, Apr. 11.
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 14.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., Apr. 15.
Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 16.
Saarland, Jebsen, Apr. 16.
Kutsang, Jardine's, Apr. 18.

JAVA PORTS

Pleasantville, Thoresen, Mar. 18.
Tjisondari, J.C.J.L., Mar. 18.
Tjimanock, J.C.J.L., Mar. 25.
Tjikarang, J.C.J.L., Apr. 1.
Tjisalak, J.C.J.L., Apr. 8.

LIVERPOOL.

Keemun, B.F., Mar. 20.
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.

LONDON.

Aeneas, B.F., Mar. 18.
Col. di Lana, D'well's, Mar. 20.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 22
Rawalpindi, P. & O., Mar. 29.
Menelaus, B.F., Apr. 1.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 5.
City of Tokio, Bank, Apr. 9.
Malwa, P. & O., Apr. 12.
Sarpedon, B.F., Apr. 16.

LOS ANGELES.

Bronxville, Thoresen, Mar. 20.
Tai Shan, Dodwell's, Mar. 20.
Pres. Taft, Dollar, Mar. 25.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 2.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 5.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Apr. 8.

MANILA

Nevada, S.S.S., Mar. 22.
Pres. Wilson Dollar, Mar. 23.
Pres. Mckinley, A.M.L., Mar. 25.
Ramses, Jebsen, Mar. 25.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 26.
Golden Sun, S.S.S., Mar. 27.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Mar. 31.
Tjikarang, J.C.J.L., Apr. 1.
Duisburg, Jebsen, Apr. 3.
St. Albans, E. & A., Apr. 4.
Trier, Melchers, Apr. 5.
Bellingham, S.S.S., Apr. 6.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Apr. 6.
Duisburg, Jebsen, Apr. 8.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., Apr. 8.
Changte, B. & S., Apr. 18.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Apr. 18.

MARSEILLES.

Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 22
Pres. Wilson Dollar, Mar. 23.
Japanese Prince, Furness, Mar. 27.
Trentbank, Bank, Mar. 31.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 3.
Nanking, Gilman's, Apr. 6.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Apr. 6.
Nelcus, B.F., Apr. 7.
Chinese Prince, Furness, Apr. 10.
Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 16.

NEWCHWANG.

Chenan, B. & S., Mar. 23.

NORTH CHINA.

Lahn, Melchers, Mar. 20.
Formosa, Gilman's, Mar. 24.
Kulmerland, Jebsen, Mar. 30.
Derfflinger, Melchers, Apr. 6.
Malaya, Manners, Apr. 10.

OSLO.

Asia, Manners, Mar. 23.
Afrika, Manners, Apr. 9.
Nanking, Gilman's, Apr. 14.

PANAMA.

Tai Shan, Dodwell's, Mar. 20.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 3.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 5.
Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 16.

PENANG.

Alipore, P. & O., Mar. 19.
Akita Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.
Tilawa, B.I., Mar. 20.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 22
Pres. Wilson Dollar, Mar. 23.
Yuensang, Jardine's, Mar. 25.
Cremer, J.C.J.L., Mar. 27.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 27.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., Mar. 29.
Talamba, B.I., Mar. 30.
Takada, B.I., Mar. 31.
Nanking, Gilman's, Apr. 6.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Apr. 6.
Malwa, P. & O., Apr. 12.

PORTLAND.

Bronxville, Thoresen, Mar. 20.
Kentucky, S.S.S., Mar. 15.

RABAUL.

Bremerhaven, Melchers, end of March.

RANGOON.

Penang Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 18.
Akita Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.

SAIGON.

Chenonceaux, M.M., Mar. 25.

SANDAKAN.

Tanda, E. & A., Mar. 16
Mausang, Jardine's, Mar. 23.
Hulsang, Jardine's, Mar. 29.
St. Albans, E. & A., Apr. 4.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Bronxville, Thoresen, Mar. 20.
Tai Shan, Dodwell's, Mar. 20.
Kentucky, S.S.S., Mar. 22.
Pres. Taft, Dollar, Mar. 25.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 2.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 4.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Apr. 8.
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 14.

SCANDINAVIAN PORTS.

Asia, Manners, Mar. 23.
Afrika, Manners, Apr. 9.
Nanking, Gilman's, Apr. 14.

SEATTLE.

Bronxville, Thoresen, Mar. 20.
Talthybius, B.F., Mar. 29.
Pres. Mckinley, A.M.L., Apr. 1.
Mishima Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 4.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., Apr. 15.

SHANGHAI.

Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Mar. 10.
Fiume, Dodwell's, Mar. 19.
Nagpore, P. & O., Mar. 19.
Tsinan, B. & S., Mar. 19.
Yatshing, Jardine's, Mar. 19.
Lahn, Melchers, Mar. 20.
Tai Shan, Dodwell's, Mar. 20.
Tjikarang, J.C.J.L., Mar. 20.
Ajax, B.F., Mar. 21.
Aki Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 21.
Talina, B.I., Mar. 21.
Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 22.
Formosa, Gilman's, Mar. 22.
Chenan, B. & S., Mar. 23.
Kwongsang, Jardine's, Mar. 23.
Suiyang, B. & S., Mar. 23.
Autolycus, B.F., Mar. 25.
Pres. Taft, Dollar, Mar. 25.
Shantung, B. & S., Mar. 25.
Taiyuan, B. & S., Mar. 25.
Chaksang, Jardine's, Mar. 26.
D'Artagnan, M.M., Mar. 26.

SHANGHAI.—(*Continued*).

Mirzapore, P. & O., Mar. 26.
Changtu, B. & S., Mar. 27.
Delhi, Gilman's, Mar. 27.
Glenbeg, Jardine's, Mar. 28.
Kulmerland, Jebsen, Mar. 28.
Kumsang, Jardine's, Mar. 28.
Rajputana, P. & O., Mar. 28.
Kwaisang, Jardine's, Mar. 30.
Sinkiang, B. & S., Mar. 30.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 31.
Pres. Mckinley, A.M.L., Apr. 1.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 2.
Venezia, Dodwell's, Apr. 2.
Tjibadak, J.C.J.L., Apr. 3.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 4.
Mishima Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 4.
Shirala, B.I., Apr. 5.
Beltana, P. & O., Apr. 6.
Derfflinger, Melchers, Apr. 6.
Khyber, P. & O., Apr. 6.
Derfflinger, Melchers, Apr. 8.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Apr. 8.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Apr. 9.
Malaya, Manners, Apr. 10.
Pembrokeshire, Jardine's, Apr. 11.
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 14.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., Apr. 15.
Saarland, Jebsen, Apr. 16.

SINGAPORE.

Alipore, P. & O., Mar. 19.
Akita Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.
Col. di Lana, D'well's, Mar. 20.
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.
Tilawa, B.I., Mar. 20.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 22
Frankfurt, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Kiungchow, B. & S., Mar. 23.
Pres. Wilson Dollar, Mar. 23.
Chenonceaux, M.M., Mar. 25.
Ramses, Jebsen, Mar. 25.
Yuensang, Jardine's, Mar. 25.
Cremer, J.C.J.L., Mar. 27.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 27.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., Mar. 29.
Penang Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 30.
Talamba, B.I., Mar. 30.
Takada, B.I., Mar. 31
Menelaus, B.F., Apr. 1.
Kanagawa Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 5.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 5.
Trier, Melchers, Apr. 5.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Apr. 6.
Duisburg, Jebsen, Apr. 8.
Romolo, Dodwell's, Apr. 10.
Dessau, Melchers, Apr. 12.
Malwa, P. & O., Apr. 12.
Nanking, Gilman's, Apr. 14.
Sarpedon, B.F., Apr. 16.

SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K. Apr. 5.
Kanagawa Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 5.

SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

Kanagawa Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 5.

SWATOW.

Haiching, Douglas, Mar. 18.
Hupeh, B. & S., Mar. 18.
Shantung, B. & S., Mar. 18.
Yatshing, Jardine's, Mar. 19.
Cheongshing, Jardine's, Mar. 21.
Hellas, Thoresen, Mar. 23.
Kiangsu, B. & S., Mar. 23.
Kiungchow, B. & S., Mar. 23
Kwongsang, Jardine's, Mar. 23.
Suiyang, B. & S., Mar. 23.
Haining, Douglas, Mar. 25.
Shantung, B. & S., Mar. 25.
Chaksang, Jardine's, Mar. 26.
Changtu, B. & S., Mar. 27.
Helios, Thoresen, Mar. 30.
Kaying, B. & S., Mar. 30.
Kwaisang, Jardine's, Mar. 30.
Sinkiang, B. & S., Mar. 30.
Tjisalak, J.C.J.L., Mar. 31.
Hirundo, Thoresen, Apr. 6.
Chipshing, Jardine's, Apr. 8.
Tjisaroea, J.C.J.L., Apr. 14.

TIENTSIN.

Cheongshing, Jardine's, Mar. 21.
Kueichow, B. & S., Mar. 28.
Chipshing, Jardine's, Apr. 8.
Huichow, B. & S., Apr. 10.

TRIESTE AND VENICE.

Col. di Lana, D'well's, Mar. 20.
Romolo, Dodwell's, Apr. 10.

TSINGTAO.

Hupeh, B. & S., Mar. 18.
Shantung, B. & S., Mar. 18.
Yatshing, Jardine's, Mar. 19.
Lahn, Melchers, Mar. 22.
Kwongsang, Jardine's, Mar. 23.
Suiyang, B. & S., Mar. 23.
Shantung, B. & S., Mar. 25.
Chaksang, Jardine's, Mar. 26.
Kwaisang, Jardine's, Mar. 30.
Sinkiang, B. & S., Mar. 30.

VANCOUVER, B.C.

Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Mar. 19.
Bronxville, Thoresen, Mar. 20.
Talthybius, B.F., Mar. 29.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Apr. 9.

VICTORIA, B.C.

Pres. Jackson, A.M.L., Mar. 18.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Mar. 19.
Talthybius, B.F., Mar. 29.
Pres. Mckinley, A.M.L., Apr. 1.
Mishima Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 4.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Apr. 9.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., Apr. 15.

VLADIVOSTOCK.

Carnavonshire, Jardine's, Mar. 18.
Glenbeg, Jardine's, Mar. 28.
Pembrokeshire, Jardine's, Apr. 11.

WEIHAIWEI.

Kueichow, B. & S., Mar. 28.
Huichow, B. & S., Apr. 10.

EXPECTED ARRIVALS AND MOVEMENTS.

Adrastus due from Europe Apr. 17.
Aeneas due from Shanghai Mar. 18
Afrika due from Shanghai Apr. 12.
Ajax due from Europe Mar. 21.
Aki Maru due from Manila Mar. 20.
Akita Maru due from Europe Mar. 28.
Atsuta Maru due from Japan Apr. 17.
Alipore due from Shanghai Mar. 18.
Amazon Maru due from Japan Mar 1.9.
Asia due from Japan Mar. 19.
Autolycus due from Europe Mar. 25.
Awa Maru due from Singapore Apr. 10.
Beltana due from Europe Apr. 5.
Bennevis due from Europe Mar. 28.
Calcutta Maru due from Singapore Mar. 26.
Carnarvonshire arrived from Europe Mar. 13.
Caucasier due from New York Apr. 12.
Changte due from Australia Apr. 11.
Chenonceaux due from Shanghai Mar. 25.
Chinese Prince due from New York Apr. 10.
City of Eastbourne due from New York Mar. 26.
City of Norwich due from Europe Apr. 26.
City of Shanghai due from Europe Apr. 9.
Col. Di Lana due from Shanghai Mar. 25.
Columbus due from Manila Mar. 19.
Cremer due from Singapore Mar. 18.
Cyclops due from Europe Apr. 18.
D'Artagnan due from Europe Mar. Mar 25.
Delhi due from Europe Mar. 26.
Derfflinger due from Europe Apr. 6.
Dessau due from Shanghai Apr. 10.
Duisburg due from Shanghai Apr. 7.
Emp. of Asia due Vancouver Mar. 22.
Emp. of Russia due from Japan Mar. 30.
Formosa due from Europe Mar. 24.
Forthbank due from New York Apr. 12.
Fiume due from Europe Mar. 19.
Glenbeg due from Europe Mar. 27.
Ginyo Maru due from Singapore Mar. 31.
Hakone Maru due from Singapore Mar. 30.
Isar due from Europe Apr. 19.
Ixion due from Europe Apr. 8.
Japanese Prince due from New York Mar. 27.
Kamo Maru due from Shanghai Mar. 21.
Kanagawa Maru due from Singapore Apr. 8.
Kashgar due from Europe Apr. 10.
Katori Maru due from Japan Apr. 4.
Khyber due from Europe Apr. 5.
Kulmerland due from Europe Mar. 28.
La Plata Maru due from Japan Mar. 20.
Lahn due from Europe Mar. 20.
Lima Maru due from Singapore Apr. 13.
Malaya due from Europe Apr. 3.
Mantua due from Europe Apr. 24.
Menelaus due from Japan Apr. 1.
Mirzapore due from Europe Mar. 22.
Mishimia Maru due from Japan Mar. 24.
Nagpore due from Singapore Mar. 19.
Nellore due from Australia Apr. 7.
Oania due from Shanghai Apr. 20.
Patroclus due from Europe Apr. 4.
Perseus due from Europe Mar. 30.
Pres. Jackson arrived from Manila Mar. 17.
Pres. Jefferson due from Japan Mar. 28.
Pres. Mckinley due from Shanghai Mar. 24.
Pres. Taft due from Manila Mar. 24.
Pres. Van Buren due from Japan Apr. 5.
Pres. Wilson due from Shanghai Mar. 22.
Rajputana due from Europe Mar. 27.
Ramses due from Shanghai Mar. 24.
Rawalpindi due from Japan Mar. 28.
Resolute due from Manila Mar. 26, 8 a.m.
Romolo due from Shanghai Apr. 10.
Saarland due from Europe Apr. 16.
Shirala due from Singapore Apr. 3.
Siberia Maru due from Europe Apr. 12.
Takliwa due from Singapore Apr. 7.
Takuta Maru due from Japan Apr. 11.
Talamba due from Japan Mar. 23.
Talthybius due from Europe Mar. 18.
Tango Maru due from Japan Mar. 25.
Tantalous due from Europe Apr. 13.
Tenyo Maru due from Shanghai Mar. 20.
Tjibodas, due from Japan Mar. 9.
Tilawa due from Amoy Mar. 18.
Tjikarang due from Java Mar. 19.
Tjileboet due from Amoy Mar. 24.
Tjimanock due from Amoy Mar. 24.
Tjisalak due from Java Mar. 29.
Toba Maru due from New York Apr. 1.
Tourcoing due from Europe Mar. 31.
Trier due from Shanghai Apr. 4.
Venezia due from Europe Apr. 2.

PRINCE LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE T. S.
"BRITISH PRINCE"

having arrived from the above Port on 13th instant, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Wednesday, 19th instant, at 10 A.M.

All Claims must be presented within 15 Days of the Vessel's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th instant, will be subject to Rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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2nd Floor, King's Building,
Connaught Road,
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Hong Kong, 13th Mar., 1930. [9161

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

THE BEN LINE STEAMERS, LIMITED.

FROM LEITH, ANTWERP, LONDON, STRAITS & MANILA.

The Steamship "BENREOCH."

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the HONG KONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., whence, and/or from the wharves Delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 18th instant, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 1st April, 1930, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 17th instant, at 10 A.M., by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., LTD.,
Agents.
Hong Kong, 11th Mar., 1930. [9150

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

THE Steamer
"TRIER"

having arrived from BREMEN, HAMBURG and Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their Cargo is being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, where Delivery can be obtained.

Consignees are further notified that the Steamer "TRIER" has taken at BREMEN Through Cargo for HONG KONG ex S.S. "NAIADE," S.S. "KONG BIGBEN" and S.S. "ORLA" from GOTHENBURG, OSLO and MANTYLUOTO.

All Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st of March, 1930, will be subject to Rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godown for examination by the Consignees and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson & Ashe, at 10 a.m., on the 20th of March, 1930.

No Claim will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown and all Claims must be presented within Two Weeks of the Ship's arrival here, after which date they will not be recognised.

Consignees are requested to surrender their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for Countersignature.

MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents:
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.
Hong Kong, 14th Mar., 1930 [9173

HAMBURG AMERIKA LINIE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Motor Vessel
"SAUERLAND"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's godowns at Kowloon, where Delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Optional Cargo will be landed, unless Notice has been given prior to Vessel's arrival.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st March, 1930, will be subject to Rent

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 20th March, 1930, at 10 a.m., by our Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

All Claims must reach us before the 4th April, 1930, or they will not be recognized.

No Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

JEBSEN & CO.,
Agents.
Hong Kong, 14th Mar., 1930. [9174

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MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO., Agents.
Hong Kong, 18th Mar., 1930. [9183

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

"GLEN" LINE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM UNITED KINGDOM VIA PORTS.

THE Steamship
"CARNARVONSHIRE"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence, and/or from the wharves, Delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 24th March, 1930, at Noon, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined in the presence of Consignees by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas, on 22nd March, 1930, at 10 a.m. Claims against the Steamer including those for Cargo short delivered must be presented on the Special Form provided, and must also be submitted within 30 days of arrival otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD.,
Agents.
Hong Kong, 17th Mar., 1930. [9 81

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CONSIGNEES per Co.'s Vessel
"CALCHUS"
FROM UNITED KINGDOM VIA SINGAPORE

are hereby notified that their Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for Delivery from Godown on and after 15th March.

Optional Cargo will not be landed here, unless Notice has been given prior to Vessel's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 A.M. and Noon within the Free Storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Vessel's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st March, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Vessel must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 4th April, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
March 14th, 1930. [9171

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEE NOTICE.

S.S. "ATHOS II."

ARRIVED HONG KONG ON FRIDAY, THE 14TH MARCH, 1930.

FROM MARSEILLES, &c.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above named Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence Delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared within 7 days including date of arrival, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims must be sent to the Undersigned before Monday, the 24th March, 1930, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, the 19th March, 1930.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

L. LESDOS,
Agent.
Hong Kong, 14th Mar., 1930. [9167

CHINA NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO ..	"HUPEH" ...	On 18th Mar.,	Daylight
HOIHOW & SINGAPORE	..."KINGYUAN"	On 18th Mar.,	11 a.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	..."TSINAN"	On 19th Mar.,	5 p.m.
HOIHOW & BANGKOK	..."YINGCHOW"	On 20th Mar.,	11 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO...	"SUIYANG"...	On 23rd Mar.,	Daylight
SHAI., NEWCHWANG & DAINY	"CHENAN" ...	On 23rd Mar.,	Daylight
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	..."KIUNGCHOW"	On 23rd Mar.,	Daylight
SWATOW & BANGKOK	..."KIANGSU"...	On 23rd Mar.,	11 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO...	"SHANTUNG"	On 25th Mar.,	Daylight
AMOY & SHANGHAI	..."TAIYUAN"...	On 26th Mar.,	5 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	..."CHENGTU"...	On 27th Mar.,	Daylight
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	..."CHEKIANG"	On 27th Mar.,	11 a.m.
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN...	"KUEICHOW"	On 28th Mar.,	10 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO...	"SINKIANG"...	On 30th Mar.,	Daylight
SWATOW & BANGKOK	..."KAYING" ...	On 30th Mar.,	11 a.m.
FOOCHOW, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	..."HUICHOW" ...	On 10th Apr.,	10 a.m.
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	..."CHENGTU"...	On 10th Apr.,	11 a.m.

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ATHOS II ...	... 8th Apr.	ANGERS ...	... 8th Apr.
D'ARTAGNAN	... 22nd Apr.	SPHINX ...	... 22nd Apr.
ANGERS ...	... 6th May	G. METZINGER	... 6th May
SPHINX ...	... 20th May	ANDRE LEBON	... 20th May
G. METZINGER	... 3rd June	PORTHOS ...	... 3rd June
ANDRE LEBON	... 17th June	CHENONCEAUX	... 17th June
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ROYAL OBSERVATORY'S DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

STATION	MARCH 16, 1930. HONG KONG STANDARD TIME	BAROMETER AT SEA LEVEL Inches	Millms.	TEMPERATURE	HUMIDITY	WIND Direction	Force (Beaufort)	WEATHER (Beaufort)	MARCH 17, 1930. HONG KONG STANDARD TIME	BAROMETER AT SEA LEVEL Inches	Millms.	TEMPERATURE	HUMIDITY	WIND Direction	Force (Beaufort)	WEATHER (Beaufort)
Wladivostock	12	29.79	756.7	48	...	SW	1	b	6	29.87	758.6	30	...	...	0	c
Nemuro	11	29.57	751.0	...	...	S	1	...	5	29.84	759.0	...	...	SSW	1	...
Hokodate	,,	29.72	755.0	...	...	WNW	2	...	,,	29.92	760.0	...	...	...	...	...
Tokio	,,	29.80	757.0	...	...	SSE	1	...	,,	30.04	763.0	...	...	WNW	1	...
Kochi	,,	29.98	761.5	...	...	NW	1	...	,,	30.14	765.5	...	...	WSW	1	...
Nagasaki	,,	30.12	765.0	...	...	WNW	1	...	,,	30.14	765.5	...	...	...	0	...
Kagoshima	,,	30.10	764.5	...	...	NNW	1	...	,,	30.14	765.5	...	...	NW	1	...
Oshima	,,	30.14	765.5	...	...	...	...	...	,,	30.14	765.5	...	...	S	1	...
Naha	,,	30.18	766.5	...	...	N	2	...	,,	30.14	765.5	...	...	E	1	...
Ishigakijima	,,	30.18	766.5	...	...	NE	2	...	,,	30.14	765.5	...	...	NE	1	...
Bonin Island	,,	29.98	761.5	...	...	NW	1	...	,,	30.06	763.5	...	...	NW	1	...
Chefoo	13	30.01	762.2	54	62	NNE	1	b	6	30.93	760.7	50	72	WSW	2	b
Shanghai	14	30.20	767.1	61	41	S	2	o	,,	30.18	765.3	45	86	SE	1	o
Gutzlaff	,,	30.28	769.1	54	74	WSW	1	o	,,	30.16	766.0	48	87	SSE	6	o
Sharp Peak	,,	30.12	765.0	62	61	E	4	of	7	30.09	764.3	56	75	NW	2	of
Amoy	,,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	30.10	764.5	58	90	SSE	4	o
Swatow	,,	30.11	764.8	62	89	ESE	2	c	,,	30.00	762.0	57	88	NE	1	o
Taihoku	11	30.15	765.9	70	61	E	4	o	5	30.07	763.8	55	93	...	0	b
Taichu	,,	30.12	765.0	73	...	NNW	2	b	,,	30.10	764.4	57	...	...	0	b
Tainan	,,	...	...	82	...	SW	2	b	,,	30.05	763.2	61	...	NNE	2	b
Koshun	,,	30.07	763.8	77	...	NE	4	b	,,	30.05	763.2	68	...	ENE	2	b
Pescadores	,,	30.11	764.7	70	...	NNE	6	b	,,	30.06	763.5	63	...	NNE	4	b
Hong Kong	14	30.04	763.0	68	51	E	4	c	6	30.04	763.0	64	64	E	3	o
Gap Rock	,,	30.04	763.0	..	...	ENE	4	o	,,	30.03	762.7	...	...	ENE	4	o
Macao	,,	30.04	762.9	77	47	SE	2	o	,,	30.01	762.3	63	80	ESE	2	o
Hoihow	,,	29.98	761.5	70	86	ENE	2	c	,,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pratas Island	,,	30.00	762.0	74	78	ENE	4	b	,,	30.00	762.0	70	93	NE	3	c
Phulien	15	30.01	762.3	64	84	NE	1	b	7	30.04	762.9	63	...	NNE	2	of
Tourane	,,	29.98	761.4	68	...	N	2	b	,,	29.97	761.2	66	...	SSE	2	bf
Cape St. James	,,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	,,	29.91	759.6	77	...	ENE	6	bc
Basco	14	29.98	761.4	73	79	ENE	2	o	6	30.01	762.3	72	43	E	2	o
Aparri	,,	29.93	760.2	81	69	ENE	4	o	,,	29.97	761.1	73	91	..	0	o
Tuguegarao	,,	29.89	759.3	84	60	N	1	o	,,	29.87	758.7	73	92	NW	2	b
Vigan	,,	29.84	757.8	86	56	W	2	o	,,	29.88	759.0	79	61	SSE	2	o
Manila	,,	29.84	757.8	93	57	SW	2	o	,,	29.92	759.9	73	85	E	1	b
Legaspi	,,	29.87	758.7	79	92	NE	2	o	,,	29.89	759.3	75	92	...	0	b
Calboyog	,,	29.85	758.1	86	75	SSE	4	b	,,	29.92	759.9	68	98	NNE	2	o
Tacloban	,,	29.85	758.1	84	68	S	4	b	,,	29.87	758.7	73	92	NW	2	b
Iloilo	,,	29.81	757.2	86	49	NE	6	b	,,	29.89	759.3	75	91	NNE	4	b
Cebu	,,	29.82	757.5	86	58	NE	4	b	,,	29.89	759.3	75	79	N	2	b
Surigao	,,	29.85	758.1	86	61	NE	4	o	,,	29.89	759.3	73	96	SW	2	r
Saipan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	29.92	759.9	73		ENE	2	b
Guam	12.22	29.82	757.5	...	...	NE	4	o	4.22	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Yap	11.00	29.82	757.5	...	...	ENE	4	o	5	29.87	758.7	...	...	ENE	4	o
Pelew	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	,,	29.87	758.7	76		NNE	2	bc
Ponape	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	,,	29.85	758.2	79	...	NE	2	c
Labuan	14	29.76	755.9	88	69	N	4	b	6	29.83	757.7	80	82	SE	7	o

March 17*d.* 10*h.* 37*m.*—The anticyclone has moved eastward to S. Japan. Moderate monsoon will prevail over the N. China Sea.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0·00 inch. Total since January 1, 5·02 inches, against an average of 4·46 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON MARCH 18.

DISTRICT.	FORECAST.
1.—Formosa Channel 2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamocks 3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock 4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan	N.E. winds, moderate; cloudy generally, with mist or drizzle.

C. W. JEFFRIES, *Chief Assistant.*

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, March 17.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.11	30.12	30.10
Temperature	65	66	66
Humidity	68	64	73
Wind—			
Direction	E	E	E
Force	4	3	3
Weather	O	O	O
Rain	0.01	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 16·83
Lowest open-air Temperature, 17·64

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

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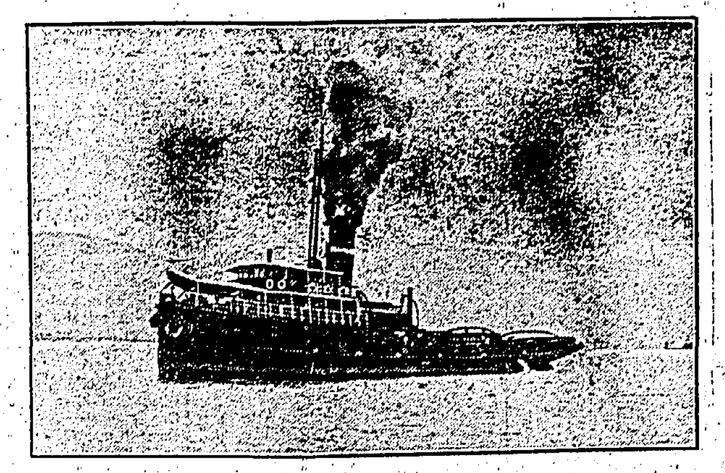
From March 18 to 23, 1930.

Days of Week.	Date of Month.	HIGH WATER. Hong Kong Standard Time.	Height.	LOW WATER. Hong Kong Standard Time.	Height.
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Tues.	18	m 11 38	6 0	m 5 25	2 3
		—	—	6 6 a	1 7
Wed.	19	m 0 51	5 2	m 6 1	2 8
		0 8 a	6 1	7 0 a	2 0
Thur.	20	m 1 49	4 5	m 8 22	3 2
		0 40 a	6 1	8 9 a	2 2
Fri.	21	m 3 12	3 9	m 6 36	3 6
		1 18 a	6 0	9 57 a	2 4
Sat.	22	No infer.	high	nor low	wat.
		2 21 a	5 9	11 37 a	2 2
Sun.	23	No infer.	high	nor low	wat
		3 49 a	5 8	—	—
Mon.	24	5 21 a	5 9	m 0 36	1 9
		No infer.	high	nor low	wat.

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	"KUMSANG"	Wed., 16th Apr., at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN ..	"MAUSANG"	Mon., 23rd Mar., at 3 p.m.
	"HINSANG"	Satur., 29th Mar., at Noon
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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORTS 14,800 TONS; THROUGH CARGO 14,700 TONS.

The returns, shown at the Harbour Office, of vessels carrying cargo to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

	Cargo for H.K.	Through Ports.
British		
Yatshing, Canton	—	305
Glenapp, Shanghai	—	8,474
Hupeh, Canton	—	485
Washing, Saigon	1,731	—
Namsang, Sandakan	3,200	—
	4,931	9,264
Dutch		
Tjisondari, Shanghai	—	902
	—	902
Danish		
Clara Jebsen, Saigon	2,610	—
	2,610	—
Norwegian		
Hellas, Bangkok	1,620	—
Hurbo, Samarinda	1,000	1,000
	2,620	1,000
Japanese		
Kowan Maru, Dairen	1,180	2,430
Yei Maru, Campha Port	2,400	1,150
	3,580	3,630
Chinese		
Chin Lee, Dairen	1,000	—
Tak Hing, Autau	80	—
	1,080	—
Total	14,821	14,796

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:—

	Arr.	Dep.
British	5	6
Dutch	1	1
Danish	1	0
Norwegian	2	1
Japanese	3	3
Chinese	3	2
German	0	1
Total	15	14

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

Waishing (Br.) Saigon	70
Tjisondari (Dutch) Shanghai, Amoy	652
Clara Jebsen (Danish) Saigon	163
Cheung On (Chinese) Shanmei	189
Tak Hing (Chinese) Autau	54
Total	1,128

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG.

FOR MARCH, 1930.

	Sunrise.	Sunset.
To-day	6.31 a.m.	6.33 p.m.
To-morrow	6.29 ,,	6.34 ,,
Thursday	6.28 ,,	6.34 ,,

PASSENGERS.

Departures.

The following passenger left by the s.s. Kashima Maru for Japan and Shanghai on March 17:—Miss T. Baba, Mr. and Mrs. J. Campbell, Mrs. R. J. McNicol, Master Duncan McNicol, Mr. K. C. Yau, Mr. S. L. Chiu, Mr. S. H. Chiu, Mr. K. T. Lau, Mr. C. S. Wai, Mr. F. C. Tong, Mr. L. Y. Lai, Mr. C. S. Jiu, Mr. Y. K. Ma, Mr. K. P. Chan, Mr. C. W. Lau, Mr. H. H. Fung, Mr. Y. C. Chan, Mrs. Wai, Mr. W. H. Lo, Mrs. Yau, Mrs. Tong, Mrs. To, Mr. S. H. Liu, Mr. W. H. Lo, Mr. P. Y. Chan, Mr. S. F. Mo, Mr. S. H. Ng, Mr. W. N. Siu, Mr. Seto Mac, Mr. W. Seto, Mr. P. T. Chan, Mr. L. W. Cheng, Mr. P. Y. Yu, Mr. K. W. Kwok, Mr. C. Sum, Mr. W. M. Li, Mr. W. T. Keung, Mr. C. H. Tam, Mr. S. Y. Li, Mr. Y. K. Wong, Mr. W. Y. Wong, Mr. S. W. Wong, Mr. K. T. Tsa, Mr. C. W. Chan, Mr. Y. H. Lau, Mr. K. H. Hui, Mr. C. H. Tang, Mr. C. M. Li, Mr. N. Y. Lui, Mr. K. W. Hing, Mr. H. F. Lung, Mr. W. T. Ko, Mr. S. T. Ng, Mr. T. Lau, Mr. K. C. Mak, Mr. F. H. Poon, Mr. H. Tsui, Mr. W. Y. Au, Mr. W. S. Lung, Mr. F. C. Poon, Mr. K. P. Leung, Mr. C. C. Chan, Mr. K. Seto, Mr. T. C. Wong, Mr. K. W. Hui, Mr. K. N. Chan, Mr. Y. W. Yeung, Mr. F. Chiu, Mr. S. H. Woo, Mr. F. S. Lei, Mr. F. T. Leung, Mr. S. P. Wong, Mr. K. C. Wong, Mr. F. I. Lo, Mr. P. C. Hui, Mr. K. Kida, Mr. C. Araoz, Mr. L. Pertwee, Dr. and Mrs. F. J. A. Beringer.

SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

The following vessels were in Harbour yesterday:—

Wharves:—Kowloon: Empress of Canada: A.P.C.—Taikoktsui: Utrecht; Socony—Laichikok: Clyde Bank; O.S.K.: Menado Maru; Douglas Lapraik: Haiching; Saikong: Kwok Lee, Shui Hing; Chiu On: Hydrangea.

Docks:—Kowloon: Gov. Taft, Susanna II., San Bernadino, Vigilante, Tetsuzan Maru, Andrea; Taikoo: Tsinan, Anking, Norviken, Shun Chih, Kako Maru, Paul Beau, Linan, Tung Foong, Charles Hardori.

Buoys:—A2 Taiping, A4 Tin How, A5 Tjisondari, B7 Yatshing, A8 Yayebashi Maru, B9 Hupeh, A10 Atsuta Maru, B11 Kiungchow, B12 Luchow, B13 Kingyuan, B24 Cremer, A25 Konsan Maru, B34 Kiangsu, C35 Hellas, B36 Yuan Lee, B38 Seistan, C39 Borneo, C40 Waishing, C41 Prosper, C42 Clara Jebsen, C43 Nampeng, C48 Chuan Lee, C49 Yodo Maru.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships were in port yesterday:—

Basin.—Tamar, Sandwich, Bridgewater, Iroquois, Serapis, Marazion, Moth.

North Arm.—Kent.

West Wall.—Suffolk.

In Dock.—Herald.

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ARRIVALS.

March 16.

Hubro, Norwegian str., 1,026 tons, Capt. H. Haagensen, from Samarinda, Yaumati.—Thoresen & Co.

Kashima Maru, Japanese str., 10,000 tons, Capt. T. Takeda, from London and Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Tjisondari, Dutch str., 5,019 tons, Capt. J. Duit, from Amoy, buoy No. A5.—J.C.J.L.

March 17.

Carnarvonshire, British str., 9,406 tons, Capt. H. S. Gulston, from London and Singapore.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Chingshun, Chinese str., 1,371 tons, Capt. J. Nakazawa, from Swatow, buoy No. B60.—Wada Jimusho.

Clara Jebsen, Danish str., 1,145 tons, Capt. J. Davidson, from Saigon, buoy No. C42.—Chang Tong Ha.

Clydebank, British str., 3,155 tons, Capt. E. M. Skelley, from Shanghai, Laichikok.—Bank Line.

Greystoke Castle, British str., 3,622 tons, Capt. G. C. Edwards, from Takao, Laichikok.—Dodwell & Co.

Hellas, Norwegian str., 1,114 tons, Capt. T. Davidson, from Swatow, buoy No. C35.—Thoresen & Co.

Hupeh, British str., 1,265 tons, Capt. W. L. Thomas, from Cantons, buoy No. B9.—B. & S.

Imataca, Norwegian str., 943 tons, Capt. O. Nilsen, from Saigon, buoy No. C43.—K. Larsen & Co.

Konsan Maru, Japanese str., 1,556 tons, Capt. T. Kotake, from Dairen, buoy No. A25.—M.B.K.

Kwong Sang, British str., 1,428 tons, Capt. A. D. Kelman, from Swatow, West Point Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Mau Sang, British str., 2,063 tons, Capt. G. F. Matthews, from Sandakan, Yaumati.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Nitto Maru, Japanese str., 1,278 tons, Capt. K. Narusue, from Canton, Yaumati.—O.S.K.

President Jackson, American str., 8,377 tons, Capt. J. Griffith, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.—A.M.L.

Ryujin Maru, Japanese str., 1,284 tons, Capt. R. Taketomi, from Dairen, buoy No. C44.—M.B.K.

Wai Shing, British str., 1,169 tons, Capt. J. W. Pettigrew, from Saigon, buoy No. C40.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Yei Maru, Japanese str., 1,849 tons, Capt. K. Izumi, from Campha, Yaumati.—Hidaka & Co.

CLEARANCES

March 17.

Amur Maru, for Shanghai.
Augustina, for Mori.
Carnavonshire, for Shanghai.
Ching Shun, for Port Courbet.
Clydebank, for Iloilo.
Hubro, for Canton.
Hupeh, for Swatow.
Hydrangea, for Swatow.
Kashima Maru, for Shanghai.
King Yuan, for Hoihow.
Konsan Maru, for Whampoa.
Kwong Sang, for Canton.
Luchow, for Ningpo.
Nitto Maru, for Takao.
Pres. Jackson, for Shanghai.
Ryujin Maru, for Canton.
Seistan, for Swatow.
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Tjisondari, for Manila.
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"RAJPUTANA"	16,568	26th Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*"BELTANA"	—	3rd May	Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	10th May	Mars.,L'don,Hull,B'dm. & A'werp
*"NAGPORE"	5,283	17th May [Mars.,	L'don.,Hull,H'bg.,B'dm. & A'werp
"MANTUA"	10,946	24th May	Bombay, Mars. & London.
"KHYBER"	9,114	31st May [Mars.,	L'don.,Hull,H'bg.,B'dm.&A'werp
"KHIVA"	9,135	7th June	Marseilles, London & Hull.
"RANPURA"	16,601	21st June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*"LAHORE"	5,304	28th June [Mars.,	L'don.,Hull,H'bg.,B'dm.&A'werp.
"KARMALA"	9,128	5th July	Marseilles and London.
"MOREA"	10,954	19th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"KALYAN"	9,144	2nd Aug.	Marseilles, London and Hull.
"RAJPUTANA"	16,568	16th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	30th Aug.	Marseilles & London.
"MANTUA"	10,946	13th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	27th Sept.	Marseilles & London.
"MALWA"	10,980	11th Oct.	Marseilles & London.

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"TALAMBA"	8,918	30th Mar.	do.
"TAKADA"	9,649	31st Mar.	do.
"TALMA"	10,000	16th Apr.	do.
"SHIRALA"	7,841	26th Apr.	do.
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*"NAGPORE"	5,283	20th Mar., Noon	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Y'hama.
"TALMA"	10,000	25th Mar.	Amoy, S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*"MIRZAPORE"	6,715	26th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"RAJPUTANA"	16,568	28th Mar.	S'hai., Kobe & Yokohama.
"SHIRALA"	7,841	5th Apr.	Amoy, S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*"BELTANA"	—	6th Apr.	S'hai., Moji & Kobe.
†"KHYBER"	9,114	6th Apr.	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"NELLORE"	6,853	8th Apr.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"TAKLIWA"	7,936	8th Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	11th Apr.	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"MANTUA"	10,946	25th Apr.	do.
"TILAWA"	10,006	28th Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*"LAHORE"	5,304	5th May	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KHIVA"	9,135	9th May	do.
"RANPURA"	16,601	23rd May	S'hai., Kobe and Yokohama.
*"JEYPORE"	5,218	1st June	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KARMALA"	9,128	6th June	do.
"MOREA"	10,954	20th June	do.
"KALYAN"	9,144	4th July	do.
"RAJPUTANA"	16,568	18th July	Shanghai, Kobe & Y'hama.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	1st Aug.	S'hai., Moji, Kobe, & Yokahama
"MANTUA"	10,946	15th Aug.	do.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	29th Aug.	do.
"MALWA"	10,980	12th Sept	do.
"KHIVA"	9,135	26th Sept.	do.
"MOREA"	10,954	10th Oct.	do.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	24th Oct.	do.
"RAWALPINDI"	16,619	7th Nov.	S'hai., Kobe & Yokohama.
"KALYAN"	9,144	22nd Nov.	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"RANCHI"	16,650	5th Dec.	S'hai., Kobe & Yokohama.
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Credits, 4 months' sight	92⅞
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Credits, at 60 d/s.	37⅛
ON BOMBAY.—	
Telegraphic Transfer Bank Bills, on demand	99⅛
ON CALCUTTA.—	
Telegraphic Transfer Bank Bills, on demand	99⅛
ON SHANGHAI.—	
Bank Bills, at sight	78
Private, 30 days' sight	—
ON YOKOHAMA.—	
On demand	73
ON MANILA.—On demand...	72⅛
ON SINGAPORE.—	
On demand	64
ON BATAVIA.—On demand...	69⅛
ON HAIPHONG.—	
On demand	nom.
ON SAIGON.—On demand...	nom.
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